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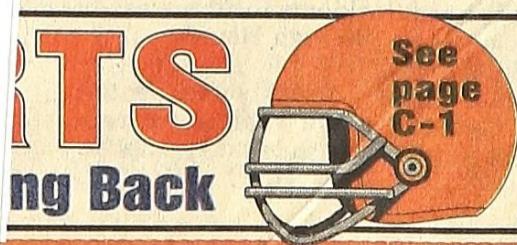
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Program for junior high youth seeks mentors

ASSETS (Assisting Students with Education, Training and Support), a new program for at-risk students at Garden City Junior High School, is looking for volunteer mentors to work with youths ages 12 to 14. A collaborative program of Youth Living Centers, Garden City Public Schools, and Garden City Youth Assistance, ASSETS helps students build decision-making skills and in-

A four-part training program for mentors is required.

crease self-confidence through adventure training, support groups and other learning activities.

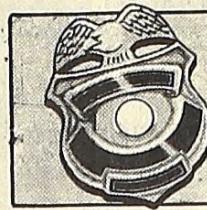
A four-part training program for mentors, held at the Wayne Community Center at 4635 Howe in Wayne, is re-

quired and was held from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Nov. 3, 5, 10, and 12. Training will be offered again in February. Contact Monica Stanke at Garden City Youth Assistance at 313-525-8836 to sign up for volunteer training.

Youth Living Centers is a private, non-profit human service agency providing community-based and residential programs for children

from birth through 20 years of age, and support, education and crisis programs for parents and other community members. Serving more than 5,000 individuals each year, Youth Living Centers has been helping families grow and learn together since 1975.

For more information on the ASSETS program, contact Mary Ellen Rehse at 313-728-3400.



Police Reports

Van Buren's Public Safety Department reported these incidents for the week of Oct. 27 through Nov. 2:

Breaking and entering of a motor vehicle was reported at Legg's Lounge at 2:42 a.m. Oct. 27.

A drunk driver was arrested at 9:37 p.m. on Savage Road.

A traffic stop in the Beallridge Apartment complex at 2:44 a.m. Oct. 28 resulted in four arrests for narcotics possession.

A traffic arrest was made at 11:08 a.m. at Morton Taylor and North Service Drive. A domestic assault and battery in the 49000 block of Bemis at 1:35 p.m., resulted in the arrest of a teenager. A suspect was arrested after being involved in a felonious assault, disobeying a police officer, and leading the officer on a footchase in the area of Belleville Road and Van Born Road.

A juvenile was turned over to his or her family after being arrested for retail fraud at Meijer. A traffic arrest was made on a misdemeanor at Kirkridge and Ecorse roads.

Traffic was monitored on Denton Road at 7:15 a.m. Oct. 30, following complaints of speeding vehicles.

Threats of assault and battery were reported at 12:42 p.m. in the 41000 block of S. Woodbury.

A hit and run accident was reported at 2:52 p.m. at Tyler and Belleville roads.

An unfired bullet was found on the ground on Parkwood and turned over to police at 12:14 p.m. Oct. 31.

A traffic altercation lead to a felony arrest at 12:41 p.m. in the parking lot of Denny's Restaurant.

Two people were arrested for narcotics possession at 2:48 p.m. on Parkwood.

Officers were called to assist Washtenaw Police at the scene of a head-on collision on Rawsonville at Snow Road at 3:57 p.m., two people were transported to a local hospital.

Van Buren's Public Safety Department reported these incidents for the week of Nov. 3 through 9:

A domestic dispute was reported at 12:28 a.m. Nov. 3 in the 8700 block of Belleville Road.

A breaking and entering of a room was reported at 4:46 p.m. in the 700 block of E. Huron River Drive.

Two assaults on juveniles were reported shortly after 3:30 p.m. Nov. 6. The first was reported in the 8700 block of Belleville Road. The second report came from the 10400 block of Borgman.

A breaking and entering was reported at 3:24 p.m. Nov. 7, in the 42000 block of Bemis Road.

A child was reportedly left in a van at 4:45 p.m. in the 9700 block of Belleville Road.

Officers were called to immediate when a man refused to allow his ex-wife to visit their children at 5:01 p.m. in the 8700 block of Belleville Road.

A serious injury accident was reported on Belleville Road, north of I-94 at 3:08 a.m. Nov. 8.

At 2:57 p.m., a missing person was returned home in the 6100 block of Deller by the Canton Police Department.

A rollover accident was reported at 7:37 a.m. Nov. 9 in the vicinity of Rawsonville and Martz roads.

Shots were reported fired in the 10000 block of Hannan Road at 10:16 a.m., and trespassers were advised to leave by an officer.

Juveniles were turned over to their parents at 3:30 p.m. after they were found throwing rocks from the bridge at I-94 and Quirk Road.

An assault and battery was reported at 11:14 p.m. in the 7900 block of Kirkridge.

Arc wins national award

The Arc Cycling program, a Wayne County based bicycle program will receive the Boggs-Mitchell Award from The Arc United States.

Arc's program integrates individuals with disabilities into the cycling community.

Training sites are at the Coil Center in Wayne and in Detroit and Wyandotte.

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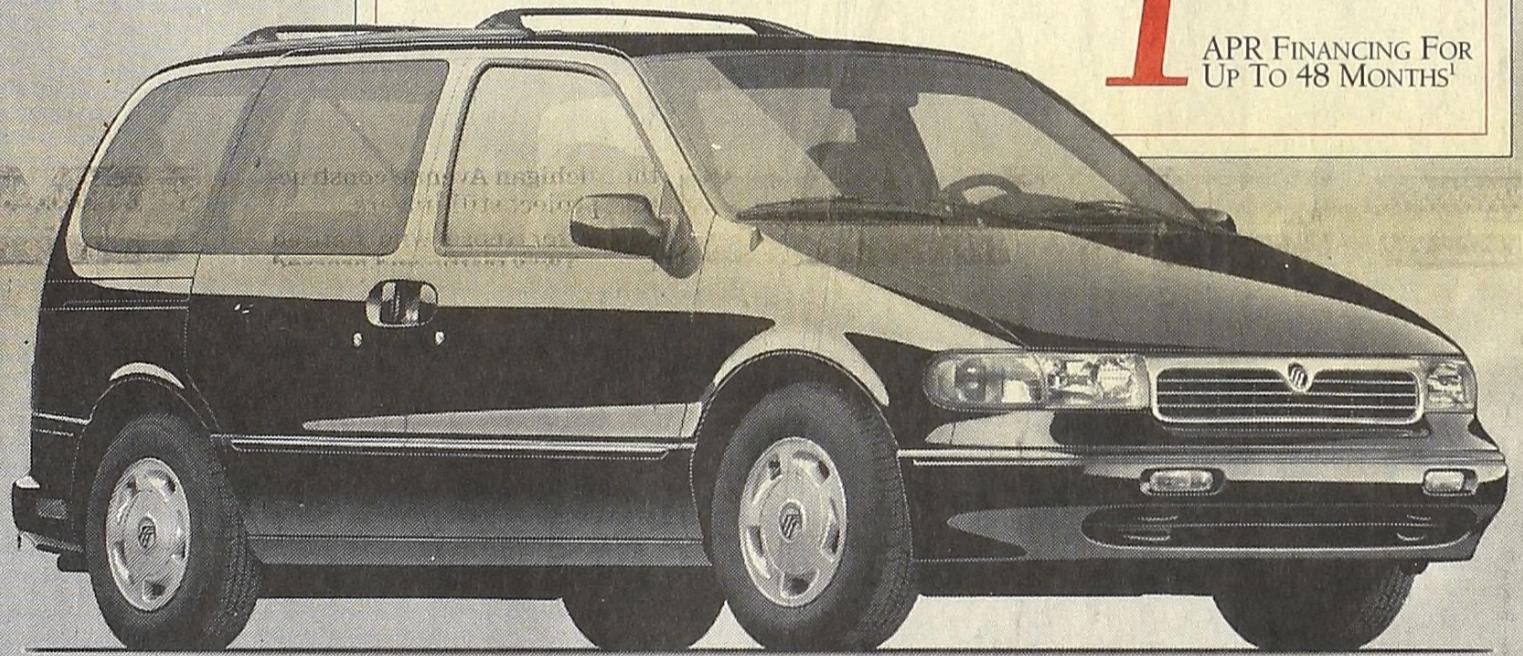
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MICHIGAN COMMUNITY NEWSPAPERS

DIGEST**SJMH named quality leader**

For the second year in a row, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital has been rated Number One for having the "Best Overall Quality" by area residents.

"I appreciate the commitment our employees, physicians and volunteer have to providing high-quality, compassionate patient care. Their efforts have not gone unnoticed, as the National Research Corp. award demonstrates," said Garry Faja, president and CEO of Saint Joseph Mercy Health System.

Kids win poster awards

The Canton Chamber of Commerce and Canton Fire Department recognized students who created outstanding posters for Fire Prevention Week.

Winners were:

- Grades 1-3, Michelle Sadler, Field; Kirsten Christensen, Field; Shan Khan, Crescent Academy and honorable mention to Grant Jackson, St. Michael Marie Sheko, Field and Daniel Walker, Plymouth Christian.
- Grades 4-5, Allison Clemons, Deanna Zylka, Joshua Finck, Jonathan Wendt and Adrienne Gelardi, all of Plymouth Christian Academy.

New agent serves area

Wesley Anderson of Dearborn Heights has joined Farm Bureau Insurance as a new agent serving this area. His office is located at 43050 Ford Road, Suite 130, Canton.

2 students study abroad

Two Hope College students are studying aboard for the fall semester of the 1997-98 academic year.

Kristina Stafiej, a senior from Westland, is studying in Canberra, Australia. She is the daughter of Michael and Kathleen Stafiej and a graduate of Wayne Memorial High School.

Laurie Ellis, a junior from Wayne, is studying in Madrid Spain. She is the daughter of George and Claudia Ellison of Wayne and is a 1995 graduate of Cranbrook Kingswood High School.

Fire runs

Wayne Fire Department's weekly runs from Nov. 10 to 17 included: two house fires and 10 other fires. They also made 25 rescues. Learn Not To Burn classes for students were held at Hoover and Vandenbush Elementary Schools.

Grief support classes slated

Dr. Josephine Johnson will be speaking to the grief support group New Beginnings at 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 24 at Wayne Church of Christ at 3789 Venoy, south of Michigan Ave. in Wayne. Everyone in need is invited. For more information call Randy at 721-1057.

Car donated to Wayne DARE

The Wayne Police Department has a new DARE car, courtesy of Casey Cabana of Mark Chevrolet. The graphics, complete with Darem, the DARE mascot, were provided by Reighard Graphics.

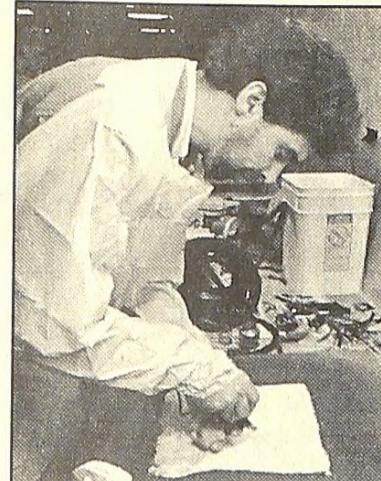
Photography earns top prize for local veteran

Richard Lewis Foster, a Marine Corps veteran from Canton, demonstrated his award-winning talent at the National Veterans Creative Arts Festival in LaCrosse, Wis.

Foster, 39, is one of more than 80 U.S. military veterans from across the nation who gathered in LaCrosse for a week of workshops and rehearsals leading up to a gala art exhibit and stage performance last Sunday.

Foster won first-place in the national art competition, color photography category. His winning entry was a deer skull laying in the snow, and is part of a series he has done about the phases of death.

"Even after a person is gone, the dying process continues over time - from the time that he dies until the time that he is physically gone from the earth. I've photographed the deer skull three times in



Richard Lewis Foster

three years at different angles," said Foster.

His work was entered by Debbie Bray-Arthur, a therapist at the VA Hospital in Ann Arbor.

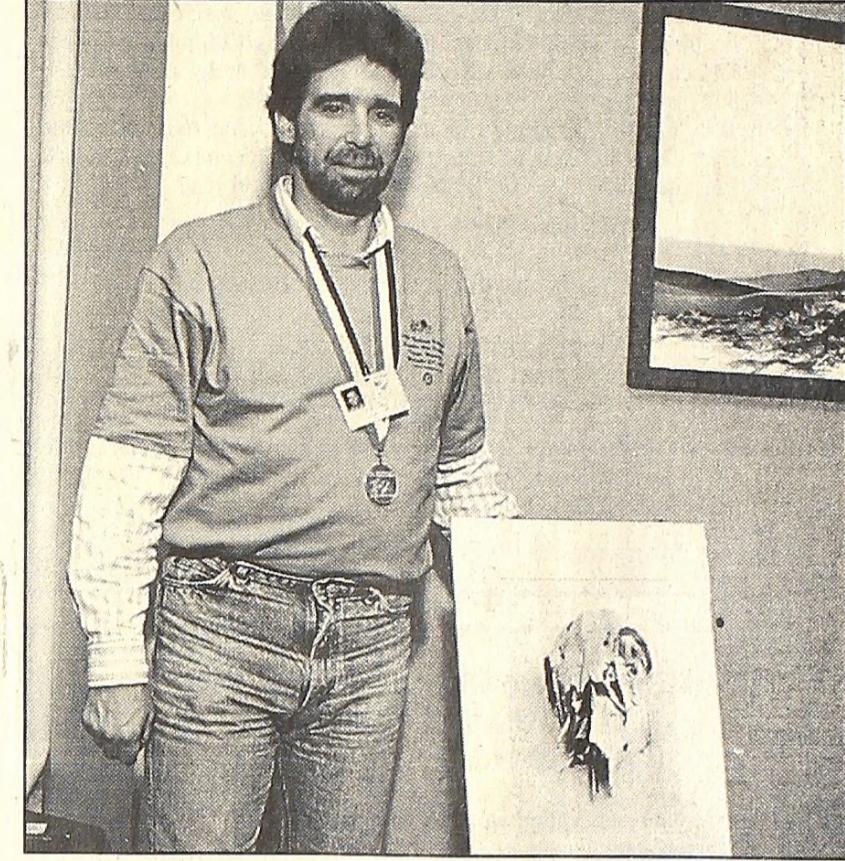
"I was very surprised to have my photograph consid-

ered the best," said Foster. "I'm happy to be gaining exposure at a national level, and I feel it will greatly enhance my career. In my photography, I try to capture the emotions that I see, and to do that requires some forethought. Some of my photos deal with causes, such as pollution, but I also like to capture something common and remind people to stop and look at things in their everyday life."

Foster said that he had always taken pictures, but didn't ever take it seriously until he went to college. He's also interested in drawing and mixed media, but photography is his favorite art.

"For me, photography is a way for me to express how I feel about a subject," said Foster.

He also has done a series of photographs of women and children with AIDS.



Richard Lewis Foster displays the photograph that earned honors at the National Veterans Creative Arts Festival. MCN Special Photo

Painter loses election

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

Veteran Romulus Police Lt. Eric Painter was narrowly defeated by 23 votes in his bid to become the new mayor of Flat Rock.

Painter, who currently serves as Flat Rock councilman, will now become the city's mayor pro tem of the seven member council that will include two newly elected members.

He lost to incumbent Mayor Richard Jones by a 742-716 vote total. Jones, who is a certified public accountant, has been part-time mayor for six terms.

Painter said one of his key campaign issues was that it was time for the ever growing city of Flat Rock to consider modifying the city charter to allow for either a full time mayor or city administrator.

Painter now has two years in which to decide if he wants to seek the mayor's chair again in 1999.



Eric Painter

Winner drawn

Construction project results in grand prizes

By JENNY JOHNSON
MCN Staff Writer

The All Roads Lead to Wayne - Passport of Savings Promotion is over even though the Michigan Avenue construction project still lingers.

But for those who battled the two way traffic and crossed the construction path to still shop in Wayne, there was some recognition.

Grand prize winners were drawn at Carlson Wagonlit Travel last week. They were invited to a Merchant Party at the Beehive Restaurant on Nov. 7 to claim their prizes.

There was nervous anticipation. Prize winners were invited to the banquet not knowing exactly what they won. Organizers made them wait until after dinner to announce the prizes.

There were 30 businesses who contributed prizes, including: a three-day cruise for two from Carlson Wagonlit; a \$100 gift certificate from Designer Wearhouse; \$100 in hair care products from Anything's Possible; pet food for a year from Goody's Pet Supply; \$50 off a new or used vehicle from Jack Demmer Ford; a grandfather clock from William C. Franks Furniture; a balloon for all occasions for a year from All Parties Concerned; a meal a week for six months from Arby's; a \$100 gift certificate from the Beehive Restaurant; a kitchen cabinet from Burton Plumbing & Heating; a free pair of sunglasses from First Optometry; a mirror from Garrett Glass; a free house cleaning from Hooks Clean Care; printed business cards from Imperial Press; \$50 in NASCAR race apparel from John



Kate Rosevear of Carlson Wagonlit Travel drew the names of the winners. MCN photo by Jenny Johnson

Robin Buick; \$500 off eye care from Kerwin Vision Clinic; a \$200 gift certificate from Kroger; an installed CD player from Law Auto Sales; a watch from Leo's Jewelry & Gifts; a car detailing package from Mark Chevrolet; a Wayne Eagle for a year from MCN Newspapers; a \$50 gift certificate from Northside Hardware; movie passes for six months from State Wayne Theatre; a \$25 gift certificate from Super Max Collision; flowers for six months from Wayne Florist; \$50 for opening an account at Wayne-Westland Credit Union; a five day/four night vacation from Bower Cleaners; and \$125 in Kroger certificates from Westchester Towers.

This program was sponsored by the Wayne Merchants Association and the Wayne Chamber of Commerce.

More than 1,000 contestants entered the drawing.

Glenn student speaks about policy

By JENNY JOHNSON
MCN Staff Writer

Members of the Triangle Foundation, PFLAG and a student from John Glenn High School spoke to the Wayne-Westland Community School Board about protection for gay and lesbian students, Monday night.

Sean Kosofsky, member of the Triangle Foundation told the board he attended the John Glenn versus Wayne Memorial football game to talk to the students about the sexual orientation policy.

"I wanted to talk to students face to face," he said.

He said he approached students with a petition asking the board to reinstate the sexual orientation policy. He got more than 30 signatures in 40 minutes.

He was harassed by one group of teens, he said.

They yelled, "Fags should

die. They should die. Kill them."

He found a Wayne Police officer and the teens were escorted out of the stadium.

Kosofsky filed a formal complaint with the Wayne Police Department.

He said he encountered this kind of speech in just 40 minutes. He finds it hard to believe it is not happening in the schools.

Jessica, a senior at John Glenn High School said harassment is happening in this district.

"I have not been able to protect my friends. I've been faced with more than I wanted to see," she said.

She said she has witnessed vandalized lockers and a friend harassed because she was assumed to be gay.

Last Thursday her friend, a senior at John Glenn, attempted suicide because of ongoing harassment from a group

of teens.

Jessica said her friend is not gay.

Dr. Gregory Baracy, superintendent, asked if the incidents were reported to the school administrators.

Jessica said no. Her friend didn't want to tell.

Board president Debra Fowlkes said, "You must tell the administration. We cannot do anything unless we know."

She said, "This must not be swept under the rug."

Wayne resident Grover Kahl commended the board for its decision.

He said, "I don't feel we owe special privileges to anyone."

Everyone is protected under the constitution, he said.

Michael Donovan of Wayne said his tax money supports this district and he resents people from outside of the district and the state bullying the board.

Beautification awards presented

Commercial and industrial businesses in Wayne were recognized...

Westland Federal Credit Union earned the Small Business Award.

Other businesses recognized for their efforts are: Page Smart; Flanagan's Pub &

Grub; Harry J. Will Funeral Home Inc.; Pizza Hut; Blue Willow Antiques; Bratcher Electric Inv; Jack Demmer Ford Inc.; Terry's Collision; Tried & True Thrift Store; Harold Coil Center; Tae-Keuk Village; Greyberry Apartments; Wayne Towers; Hickory Hollow Townhouses; Scrap Busters; Wayne Industries; Metro Commerce Center; and B & D Thread Rolling.



Veterans remembered

On behalf of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3323 and its Ladies Auxiliary, Nicholas Cole-Klaes, 6, received a flag in memory of his grandfather, Harvey Cole, who served in World War II. He is pictured with his parents Tricia Cole-Klaes and Carl Klaes. MCN photo by Jenny Johnson

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(1) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit bids must do so on forms provided by the City. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained from Kristian Moe, Purchasing/Computer Services Director, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI or by calling (313) 942-7564.

(2) Bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes and returned to the City Clerk's Office no later than 2:00 p.m., December 2, 1997. At that time said bids will be publicly opened and read.

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(3) The right is reserved to reject any and all bids and proposals and to waive technicalities. A bid guarantee in the amount of 5% of the bid price will be required.

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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL
HELD NOVEMBER 3, 1997**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem, Randolph Gear.

Present: Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth

Absent: None

Excused: None

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

William Oakley, Mayor

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk

Motion by Romak, supported by Wadsworth to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

97 - 486

2A. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Prybyla to approve the minutes of the Romulus City Council held October 27, 1997 as corrected.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

4. Motion by Crova, supported by Crova to accept the Chairperson's Report.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-487

5A. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to schedule a Study Session on November 24, 1997 at 6:30 p.m. Prevailing Eastern Time in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174 for the purpose of presenting the financial statements for the Fiscal Year 1996/1997.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-488

5B. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Collins to concur with the recommendation of the administration and approve an amendment to Article II, Section 2 Line 2 of the Tax Increment Finance Authority (TIFA) Bylaws which changes the number of Directors from nine (9) members to thirteen (13) members.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

5. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to accept the Mayor's Report.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-489

6A1. Motion by Romak, supported by Prybyla to grant authorization to let bids for the Official Newspaper for the 1998 calendar year.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-490

11. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Romak to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

I, Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held November 3, 1997.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that the Charter Township of Van Buren Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider a zoning change on the following described properties:

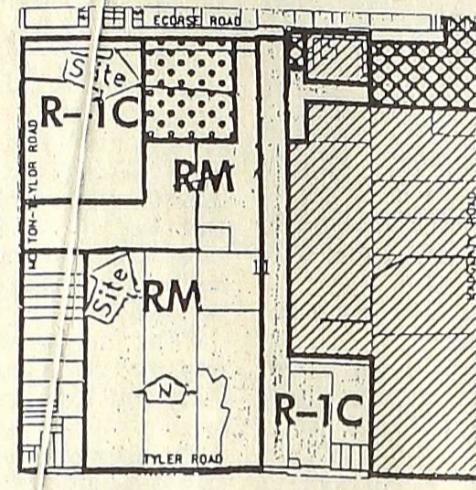
1. PARCEL OF LAND IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 11, PARCEL NUMBER V-125-83-042-99-0001-001, 29.09 ACRES.

2. PARCEL OF LAND IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 11, PARCEL NUMBER V-125-83-042-99-0003-001, 38.81 ACRES.

To amend the zoning ordinance No. 6/2/92 as amended by amending the zoning map as follows:

1. C-2 (EXTENSIVE HIGHWAY BUSINESS) TO C-1 (GENERAL BUSINESS), RM (MULTIPLE FAMILY), AND R-1C (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL).

2. R-M (MULTIPLE FAMILY) TO R-1C (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL)



A public hearing will be held in the Board of Trustees Room, 46425 Tyler Road, Charter Township of Van Buren, County of Wayne, Belleville, MI 48111 on Tuesday the 25TH day of NOVEMBER, 1997 AT 6:00 p.m. Written comments will be accepted at the Department of Developmental Services until 5:00 p.m. on the hearing date.

Cindy C. King CMC, Clerk
Charter Township of Van Buren

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Oakley concerned

Newly re-elected Romulus Mayor William Oakley tells a large gathering at the Nov. 10 inauguration ceremonies that he was concerned about the "public apathy" at the election conducted the week before. Seated in front of Oakley is State Sen. Loren Bennett (R-Canton). MCN photo by Lori Gillespie

Patterson considers state rep campaign

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

Wayne County Commissioner Bruce Patterson, R-Canton Township, admits he is interested in possibly running for State Rep. Deborah Whymans seat next year and could announce his candidacy by Dec. 1.

Patterson, 50, the District 11 County Commissioner, also reveals that he enjoys his current political position in

Western Wayne County.

Now in his third year as county commissioner, Patterson reportedly met recently with Gov. John Engler to express problems and frustrations Western Wayne County residents are facing with the current administration of County Executive Ed McNamara -- particularly on road funding issues.

While he hasn't made up his mind yet, Patterson said, he was appreciative of calls urging his candidacy from area residents.

Being in the distinct minority on the county commission, has caused Patterson to urge his constituents to speak with a more forceful and united voice on airport noise and other issues.

He admitted giving the new Wayne County Airport Noise Czarina Colleen Pobur of Plymouth a 60-day window to answer approximately 100 airport growth questions for the public.

Patterson said he wants printed facts and figures to support Pobur's answers and is awaiting them also on Dec. 1. He remains hopeful that the area's dialogue with the airport may improve, since to date she has been "very responsive" to his inquiries and those of Huron Township residents.

A summer meeting between Sean Brosnan (the former noise czar) and Romulus officials was abruptly cancelled reportedly because of the pending birth of Brosnan's child. It is hoped by city council members that a new date can now be set up with Pobur.

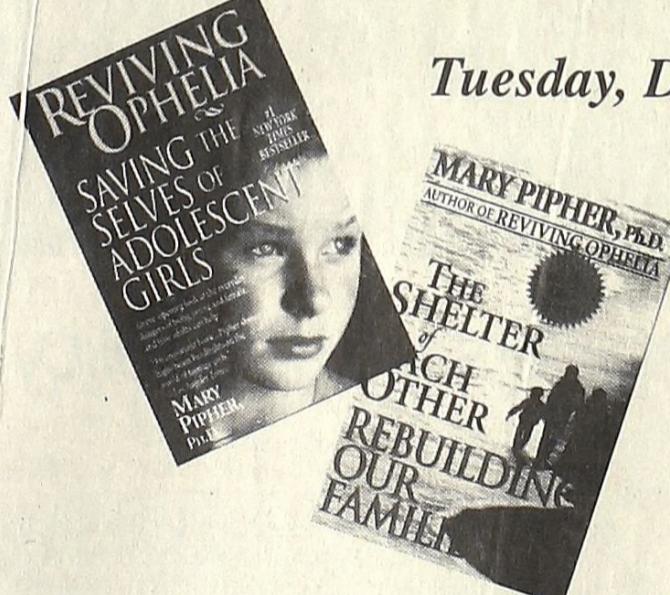
Most residents feel this is the best time to get input for the Western Wayne County communities on airport issues, since McNamara is expected to be running for reelection next year and could face a heated challenge from Sharon McPhail.

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DIGEST**Craft show slated**

A craft show is planned at St. Thomas a'Becket, 555 S. Lilley Road, Canton, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 6. Lunches and bake goods are featured.

Mark re-appointed

Florine Mark, president and CEO of The WW Group, Inc., was re-appointed chair of the board of directors of the Detroit Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago.

Tree lighting kicks off holidays

The annual Community Tree Lighting at the Canton Administration Building will take place at 7 p.m. Dec. 8.

On Dec. 6 and 13, there will be Santa's Elves Workshops at the Summit at 10 a.m. Cost is \$18 to \$20. Call 397-5110.

Brunch with Santa is from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dec. 14.

Noel Night features music

The 25th anniversary of Noel Night in Detroit's University Cultural Center will be staged from 5 to 9:30 p.m. Dec. 6.

Music, dance, arts and crafts plus special exhibits are planned.

Metroparks sponsor events

At 2 p.m. Nov. 23, the Oakwoods Metropark will host a program, "Feed the Birds This Winter."

"Cooking Up a Colonial Christmas" is the program at the Lake Erie Metropark at 2 p.m. Nov. 23.

Call 1-800-477-3189 to register.

Canton man wins \$800

Earle A. Chorbagian, 71, of Canton won \$800 on the Michigan Lottery TV game show, *Road to Riches*.

A retired assistant principal, he plans to use his winnings to travel and to buy a car.

His hobbies include travel, photography, playing dominoes and watching college football.

North Bros. donates to charity

North Brothers Ford of Westland has donated \$15,600 to the Westland DARE, Westland Youth Assistance Program and the First Step program. In September, North Bros. donated \$5,000 to the Westland Parks and Recreation Department for the Playscape.

A donation by the employees of \$770 was matched by the company and the Susan G. Domen Breast Cancer Foundation was given a check for \$1,540.

2 join hospital staff

Father Louis Tuffuo, Ph.d. has joined the staff of St. Mary Hospital as a chaplain.

Thomas C. Peebles, M.D. has joined the hospital as director of pathology/laboratory medicine.

Rotary honors 2 Canton men

The Canton Rotary Club honored police officer Todd Mutchler and firefighter Mike Caruso as the club's Officer and Firefighter of the Year for 1997.

Inkster resident wins award

Inkster resident Kim Peterson recently competed at the state-wide Conference for Student Scholars and won publication of the abstract of her paper, *The Public School is Dead: Long Live the Public School in the Student Scholars' Journal*.

25th anniversary of senior citizen nutrition program celebrated

Governor John Engler and Office of Services to the Aging Director Lynn Alexander today joined in the 25th Anniversary celebration for the senior Citizen Community Services Nutrition Program.

"Michigan has become a better place for senior citizens to live over the last several years. The Senior Nutrition Program is certainly one of the reasons why," said Governor John Engler. "I would like to

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"In 1974, 1.8 million meals were served older Michigan

residents. In 1996, those numbers grew to 11.3 million meals served, and 66 percent of these were home-delivered meals," said Office of Service to the Aging Director Lynn Alexander.

Since 1991, state funding for home-delivered meals has increased 113 percent and total funding for the program has risen from \$3.5 million in 1974 to more than \$40 million in 1996.

Governor Engler and the Office of Services to the Aging presented awards to individuals who have been recognized for their service in the Senior Citizen Community Service Nutrition Program.



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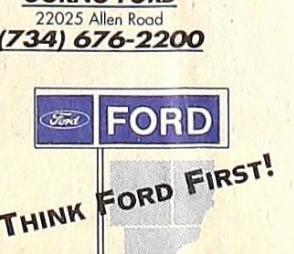
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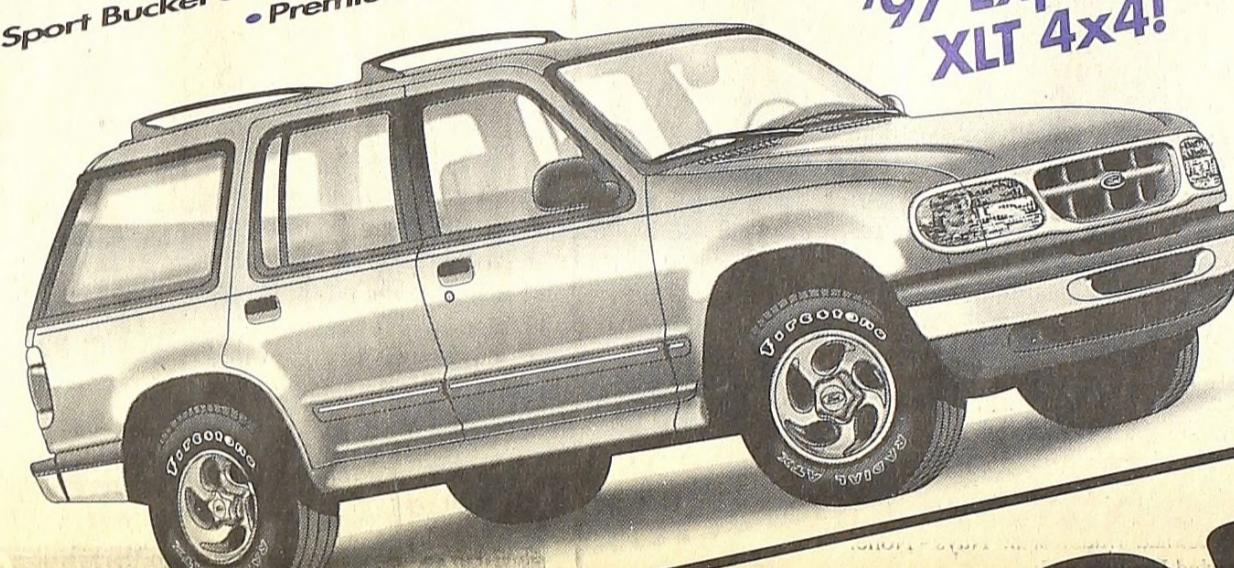
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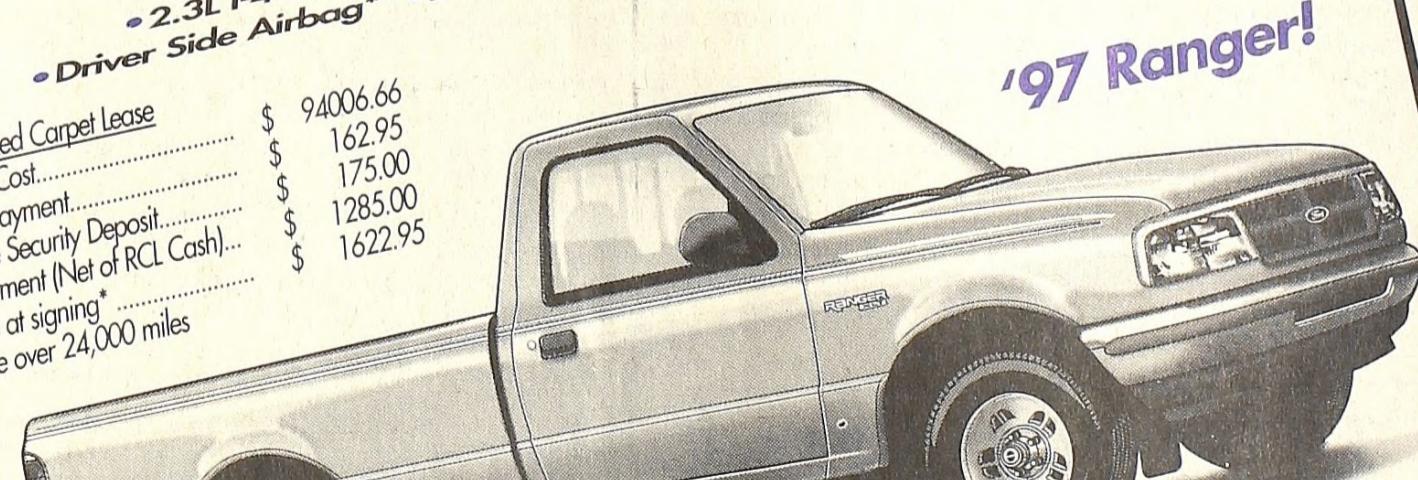
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Voters didn't rock boats

If there was anything to learn from the November elections it was that citizens are comfortable with their current batch of politicians. For the most part incumbents had no trouble getting themselves re-elected.

One would have thought Mayor Robert Thomas of Westland would have been vulnerable. With the flooding in North Westland and the brouhaha over the hiring of his girlfriend to a cushy, \$35,000 a year post, voters might have upset the apple cart. Adding fuel to the fire were news articles exposing the mayor's sweetheart retirement deal.

When it came time to vote, however, Westland residents felt more comfortable with the two-term mayor than his opponent, Ken Mehl. The same could be said for the incumbent council people who all were returned to office, despite some stiff opposition. Westland can look forward to another four years of status quo as the relatively young Westland mayor continues to manage the city with an iron fist.

Romulus was more of the same. Mayor William Oakley crushed opponent Leo Knasiak, leaving one to believe that he truly has a mandate to do whatever he chooses. It is hard to believe that only two years ago the mayor's race was a brutal battle that epitomized dirty politics at its worst.

Incumbent council people swept to victory as well in Romulus. A new charter change, has bumped their terms from two to four years, so residents will need to get accustomed to this group of legislators because they are going to be around for awhile.

Our local politicians do not have to worry about term limitations, but at the state level they are Public Enemy #1 for career officials.

Voters made it state law a couple of years ago to limit the number of terms a state politician could

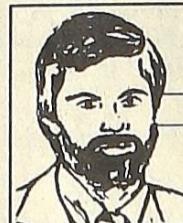
serve in office. 1998 becomes the first election year that this new law comes in to play. Guess what is happening?

One expert claims no less than 10 wives are planning to run for the seats their husband's now hold. Two sons and one cousin are also expected to run. If they are successful, the legislative seat would obviously remain in the family, and be available for the husband to pick-up the next election year. I don't think this is what state voters wanted to see happen.

In fact, in my opinion term limitations are counterproductive. My father was a county commissioner for 24 years, re-elected twelve straight times. His love for the job and his constituents did not wane over those years. Quite the contrary, he got better as he gained more experience.

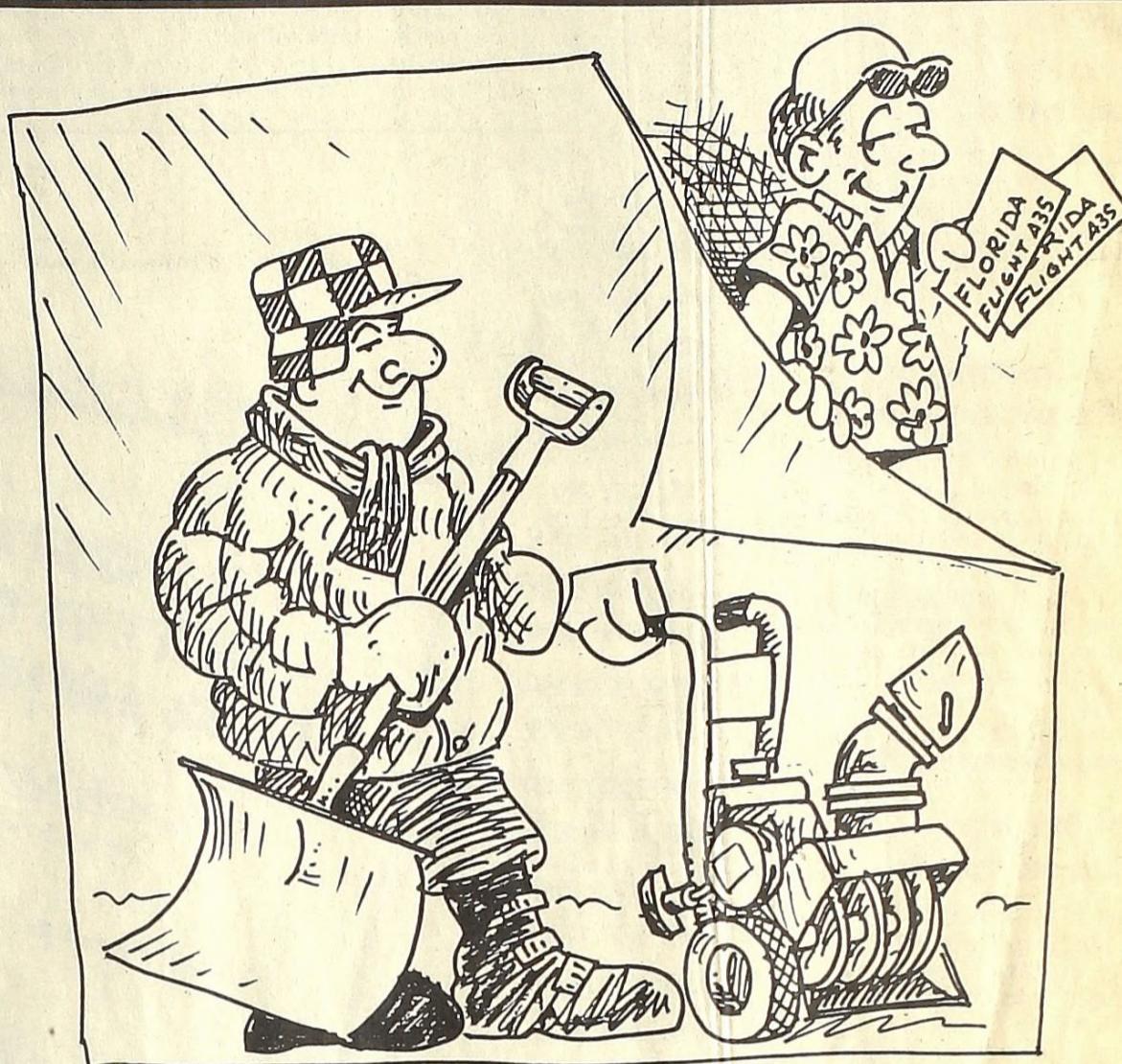
Do I think he would run for political office if he knew he had to retire in eight years? Heck no! The same goes for many well-respected community-minded individuals. Do you think a businessperson is going to give up a six-figure job to serve the people eight years for \$50,000 annually? Not many will. Term limitations might do away with career politicians, but on the other hand, it is certainly going to scare away many good people.

Sharon Popek wrote her last column for the Wayne Eagle a week ago. This was column number one thousand and such. A writing career for this newspaper that has spanned three decades. Although she is moving to a warmer climate and presumably better times, we will miss her dearly, here. She kept Wayne readers up-to-date on all the goings on that occurred in this great city. No one knew the people of Wayne better and as publisher I would like to wish her the best of times for many years to come. Thanks Sharon!



Mike's musings

Mike Wilcox



ANNUAL "BE PREPARED FOR THE MICHIGAN WINTER" REMINDER.

Are stocks

wacky?!

To the editor:

I'm sick and tired of high-priced Wall Street economists telling us about the stock market. These "traditional" economists use things like price/earnings ratios, dividend yields, and mutual fund inflows to tell us if the stock market is getting too speculative.

But, great bull markets are not only economic events. They are also social and cultural events. So, I have devised an "index" of cultural events that, if properly used, may indicate when the stock market is becoming excessively speculative.

I call this index the Warren Annual Cultural Kitsch Index, or WACKI for short. I derived this index through a careful study of social and cultural events during the 1920's, 60's, and 80's.

If your responses to any three of the following questions is "yes" then a speculative market may be indicated:

(1) Have you recently read 3 or more books or articles about stock market geniuses, or people "just like you" who became millionaires by investing in stocks?

(2) Have you seen an increase in stories about women or minorities who have become wealthy by "playing the market?"

(3) Have you read stories about children being taught how to "invest" in the stock market? In normal times teaching children about stocks is like teaching "Junior" the virtues of "placing the 6 and 8" at the crap table. Or, showing "Missy" how to mix a really

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good Harvey Wallbanger.

(4) Is the chairman of the Federal Reserve suddenly the butt of nervous jokes? Laughing at the Fed chairman is not only rude, it could be extremely hazardous to your portfolio.

(5) Is your favorite bullish Wall Street analyst suddenly doing a lot of "traveling" lately?

If your answer is "yes" to all of the above, extreme caution may be indicated. I hope this WACKI idea will be of assistance to some people.

Walter Warren
Westland

Boy Scouts help vets

To the editor:

My name is Vince Berna and I am the president of an organization called Veterans' Haven, Inc. and I am writing this letter in support of and recognition of Boy Scout Troop 1111 out of the Presbyterian Cherry Hill Church in Dearborn.

To be more specific, I am writing this letter to applaud the efforts of a young man named Shane Smith who lives in the Guelph Road-Cherry Hill area of Dearborn. Last September, Shane contacted us by phone to see if our organization would be interested in the Boy Scouts holding a coat and clothing drive for the homeless and needy vets.

He and his mother came to my home to discuss this idea further. Shane went on to explain that he was working toward becoming an Eagle Scout and would appreciate the opportunity to put this dri-

ve together the help "American's finest." We gave him the green light to proceed with this event.

After approximately two months on Nov. 8, 1997 I received a phone call from Shane explaining that they had completed their "mission" and had collected coats, sweaters, clothing and canned goods for Operation Can Do from over 1,000 homes. The next day we went to pick these items up at Shane's home. I must say we were quite surprised at the amount of warm winter gear these kids had gathered. We picked up a number of bags and over a dozen large boxes.

For this I would like to personally and publicly say thank you on behalf of our organization and the Board of Directors to Shane Smith, the Scouts, the mothers and fathers and the other people involved in this drive. Your kindness will not be forgotten and your benevolence has touched the lives of many veterans.

Any honorably discharged vet who is disabled, homeless, laid off, unemployed, or facing an emergency type situation in their lives can reach us at 313-728-0527 to schedule an appointment. We can help with food, clothing, counseling and job connections. We have a "vehicle donation program" and to date we have "given away" 28 cars, vans or trucks to vets who were in a real bind for transportation. We are "Vets Helping Vets"! At the present time we are in need of a property/building to call "Home". Anyone interested in making a contribution can send it to Veteran's Have, Inc. P.O. Box 85747-7115, Westland, Mich. 48185.

Vince Berna
President

Voter apathy plagues cities

Voter apathy — how do we alleviate it?

The complaint has been issued from everywhere in the past few weeks — from Romulus Mayor William Oakley to Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer.

As Oakley exclaimed at his recent inaugural ceremonies — those standing here today are serving on behalf of a minority of the city's voters. He was referring to the less than 3,600 of the city's registered 15,000, who turned out to elect himself, a city treasurer, city clerk and seven council members to the first four year terms in the city's history.

With the city's Civil War over on the deep well issue, at least politically (no candidate came out in favor of its operation), no other issue stirred any real anger or support across the city.

Since few major issue differences were outlined by any of the candidates with any passion — it boiled down mostly to personal preferences for individual candidates or how many Oakley team players the voters wanted to hand the incumbent mayor.

Obviously voters decided they wanted to give Oakley a good working majority — but not a dictatorship. With Mayor pro tem Randolph Gear again finishing high man and Council members William Wadsworth and Debbie Romak winning re-election, nothing will be taken for granted politically except for the fact that at least at this time Oakley will have the upper hand.

But illnesses and other matters over the next four year period could affect Oakley or any of the council members causing office vacancies and a slight or major political chemistry change.

Since a staggered set of terms for council candidates was not considered, it will cause a four year void on local office campaigns (except for school board candidates).

So the next question is — will this once every four-year city decision spur or decrease voter turnout in the year 2001?

Since Oakley almost positively will not seek re-

election at that time, it would appear that the new generation of voters will be the first to choose from candidates other than Oakley or former Mayor Beverly McAnally.

With an expected heavy influx of new potential voters into the city in the next few years, community activists would be wise in getting the newcomers involved in city/school/church activities.

Volunteerism in Romulus — as in many other communities across the U.S. — is at an all time low.

Americans are a great migratory lot today and thus they create shallow roots in their communities. Those limited root capacities result in short community involvement projects in many cases and usually weak Chambers of Commerce, teacher/parent relationships and voter turnouts.

Since family ties are now hurting, neighborhoods are filled with what's-their-names and residents have a hard time naming their elected officials locally, statewide or nationally, it appears an identity crisis of great magnitude has developed.

Grassroots are not very deep, but activists claim that is what is needed to create change.

Sadly we are slowly tearing up even those limited root systems and replacing them with circumstantial concrete or asphalt. Thus we find ourselves with an over supply of manure and a shortage of road salt.

This could cause us to manufacture imitation grassroots to re-create friendship, companionship and relationship styles. But imitations usually prove to be superficial at best. However they don't hurt as much when replaced.

Thus it appears many changes will have to occur in our lives if we want voters to troop back to the



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Al Post

FOOTNOTES: Have you started your shopping for Christmas?

Cindy Nabozny
Belleville

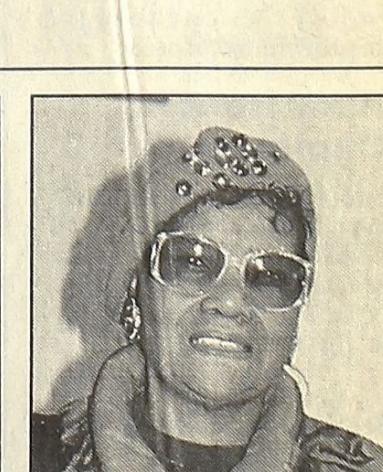
I've ordered some gifts by mail, but I usually start shopping on the second week of December.

Donna Beynon
Belleville

I'm done! I started buying gifts this summer when I was on vacation.

Beth Smith
Van Buren Township

No. I usually start after Thanksgiving.

Theola Jones
Inkster

Yes, the second week of November.

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Teachers saluted during Education Week

During the week of Nov. 16 to 22, American Education Week will be celebrated to honor teachers and to underscore the importance of education in shaping children's lives.

American Education Week was first established by the National Education Association and the American Legion in 1921 to spotlight the need for education to combat the illiteracy and the lack of physical fitness that plagued American youth in the wake of World War I. Today, 76 years later, the special week has 13 organizational co-sponsors, including the U.S. Department of Education and the PTA.

This year the theme is "Teaching Children to Think and Dream," and emphasizes the opportunities that children have to fulfill their potential, develop ideas and imagine a better world.

There is a need for children — and adults — to think and dream, but it's also important to be more down-to-earth in recognizing that the same problems which sparked the establishment of American Education Week 76 years ago, still exist today.

The problem of illiteracy at the early part of the century was due to the influx of large numbers of immigrants who were unfamiliar with the language and who had few educational opportunities in their homelands. There were also areas of the U.S. where educational requirements were lax and the need to contribute to family finances kept many children away from school.

However, in the 1990s, the problem of illiteracy seems to be linked to "social promotions" that result in functionally illiterate people receiving high school diplomas, but who cannot

read application forms and simple instructions.

The physical fitness problem in the 1920s resulted from improper diet and lack of medical care. However, today government programs provide food for children through numerous programs and medical care is available through county and state agencies.

The problem in the 1990s seems to stem from the proliferation of "couch potatoes" — kids who sit in front of the TV set or at their computer and do not exercise.

We do not doubt that educators are diligently trying to provide a well-rounded education to equip youngsters to deal with the technology of the 21st century, but basic problems still exist and we must be aware that schools cannot solve all of them.

Parents have to take responsibility to have their children take advantage of all of the educational opportunities that are available to them, and also to monitor their studying time and their progress. Youngsters also must be responsible enough to approach their school years as an important preparation for their future, and apply themselves to their studies.

Both parents and children need to become aware of the need for physical fitness as well as for mental accomplishments.

American education needs concerned parents and youngsters as well as concerned teachers so that students can develop to their full potential and be prepared for the challenges they will face in the work place and in society.

Class of '33 memories

To the editor:

Many of us (the Wayne High School Class of 1933) started in kindergarten. Several met in the second grade. So over the years, we got to know one another very well.

Isabel White came from Jackson and entered second grade with me. We have been such friends ever since. Keith Shook was a neighbor, and we played together as kids. What a wonderful young man he turned out to be. The last time I saw him he was bald.

The McActee, twins came to town around the fourth or fifth grade.

Margaret Hargrave, my best friend ever, came to the area from Missouri. Many such families came because Ford was paying \$5 per day.

Miles Deatrich, Bill Williams and Kyle Carmichael came from a country school and entered the ninth grade. What great men they grew up to be.

Milton Kolorov, my little short friend and whose father was a cobbler in Wayne, also was in grade school with me.

The new high school was built in 1928-29. My brother's class was the first to graduate from the new school. From the old Roosevelt School, we entered the seventh and eighth grades there. To this day I can remember every room in that school.

Mr. Roy Gulich was the principal there. He and his wife were "fine as silk" people. They had two girls. I corresponded with Mr. and Mrs. Gulich until their deaths.

Miss Roberts, who we affectionately called "Grandma," taught civics and history.

Miss Doris Milliman was the librarian and study hall teacher.

Mae Dunning or "Ma" Dunning as we called her, was our English and public speaking teacher. She was a widow before she came to Wayne. What a lovely lady she was. She was very precise. I remember her saying, "Don't laugh at people, laugh with them." She passed on in our junior year and our class had a plaque made in her honor.

Mabel Newton took her place and also was a good teacher.

Miss Lester taught languages. I had Ruth Gamble in the seventh and eighth grades. A Mr. Edwards taught math.

In 1929, came the stock market crash. Banks closed, businesses failed. What a horrible time that was in every one's lives.

Then came an idiot named Hitler who more or less star-

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ted World War II, among others. He started by just taking over the small countries. Sad as it may seem, it took World War II for us to recover from the Great Depression. The "mighty potato" was the staple food in those days.

How many remember the Bomber Plant? That was the beginning of the freeways. Two of three of our class went to the CCC's (Civilian Conservation Corp.) It allowed them to work and get room and board. They were allowed to come back to graduate. We were all happy to see them. Well, we had our prom and graduation

day. It was sad for many like myself that would have liked to have entered college that fall. As of this writing, out of those of us who graduated in 1933 (64 years ago) about 29 are still alive. After the War ended, our class started having reunions. A few were held in Florida. It's good to talk to each other now and then.

It was a great class and I am proud to be a member of it.

Olive Davis Salaske
Wayne High School
Class of 1933

Thanks to constituents

To the editor:

This letter is to thank the

residents of Romulus for the opportunity to have served on the Romulus City Council for the past two years.

My political career started in 1991 with a challenge to "change things". Well, since 1995 great changes have taken place in our home town. Even bigger and better changes are on the horizon.

I want to wish the best to our newly elected officials and pledge my support to them.

As citizens of Romulus, we must pledge ourselves to be interested and involved for our community will be only as good as our personal commitments.

Thank you all again and God Bless.

Mary Collins

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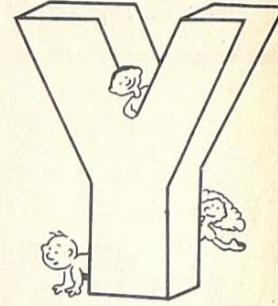
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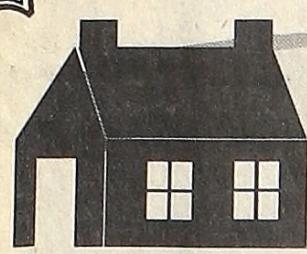
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ballot boxes. The instant fix of bringing the ballot boxes closer to the voters is not the answer, such as motor/voter concepts.

Bringing residents' hearts and minds back to their communities should be our first priority. A deeply concerned community resident is usually the first to vote and many times the first to volunteer for action.

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Service News Report

Robert A. Foster has been promoted in the U.S. Air Force to the rank of senior airman.

Foster, an aerospace equipment journeyman, is assigned to the 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Tucson, Ariz.

He is the son of Daniel L. and Karen M. Foster of Westland.

Foster is a 1994 graduate of John Glenn High School, Westland.

Navy Fireman Arthur D. Meadows, son of Robert A. Meadows of Cavell Street, Westland, recently departed on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea aboard the guided missile destroyer USS Carney.

He joined the Navy in October 1991.

Navy Lt. Thomas V. Evanoff, son of Thomas V. Evanoff of Sherwood Lane, Westland recently departed on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea aboard the guided

missile cruiser USS South Carolina.

The 1983 graduate of John Glenn High School of Westland joined the Navy in May 1987.

Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Bruce M. Mastone, whose wife, Lisa, is the daughter of Skip and Donna Theeck of Canton, recently received a Letter of Appreciation while assigned aboard the fleet ballistic missile submarine USS Maine (Gold), homeported in Kings Bay, Ga.

Marine Cpl. Derwin E. Kelly, son of Leroy O. Kelly of Westland has departed on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea with the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), embarked aboard the ships of the USS Guam Amphibious Ready Group (ARG).

The 1986 graduate of Inkster High School joined the Marine Corps in May 1994.



Business honoree

Shelly Norman Hall (left) nominated Barbara A. Palmer in her successful bid for the YWCA Women of Achievement Award for Business/Industry. Palmer is corporate director of Employment and Diversity, Department of Human Resources, Henry Ford Health System. She is a coach and mentor to young adults and a Henry Ford Community College Foundation board member. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

435,000 gallons of used oil collected in Romulus

Americans who change their own motor oil improperly dump the equivalent of 16 Exxon Valdez spills annually into the nation's sewers and landfills, according to Green Seal, the national non-profit environmental labeling organization.

The U.S. EPA estimates that dumping just one gallon of used oil can contaminate more than one million gallons of drinking water.

The potential environmental consequences of improper disposal of used oil is significant for the Romulus area and

for the county as a whole.

That's where Safety-Kleen's Romulus branch comes into play—it collects 435,000 gallons a year from Romulus-area businesses. The company collects more than 125 million gallons of used oil each year at its 180 branches throughout the United States and Canada.

Once the used oil is processed at one of its re-fineries, the result is a pure base lube stock that is sold to oil companies who blend it with their own.

"Rather than using the oil once, re-finishing extends the life of a non-renewable resource by converting it to a usable material that can be recovered and used again," says Mike Zytka, Romulus branch manager for Safety-Kleen Corp., the world's largest re-refiner of used oil. "Most of the used oil can be re-refined repeatedly with no compromise in the quality of the lubricant."

Recycling used oil also conserves energy resources, according to James Cavill, vice president of Safety-Kleen's U.S. Lubricant Sales and Marketing division. The U.S. EPA states that re-refining used oil takes only about one-third of the energy of refining crude oil to lubricant quality, and it takes 42 gallons of crude oil, but only one gallon of used oil, to produce 2.5 quarts of new, high-quality lubricating oil.

Do-it-yourself in the Romulus area can call their state or local government recycling office for a list of area collection centers where they can take their used motor oil. Or they can check with area service stations or quick-lube oil change shops to see if they will accept used motor oil.

Wal-Mart is the first national retailer to carry America's Choice, the re-refined oil produced by Safety-Kleen. America's Choice is also available to non-do-it-yourself motorists at all 1,000 Wal-Mart Tire and Lube Express shops.

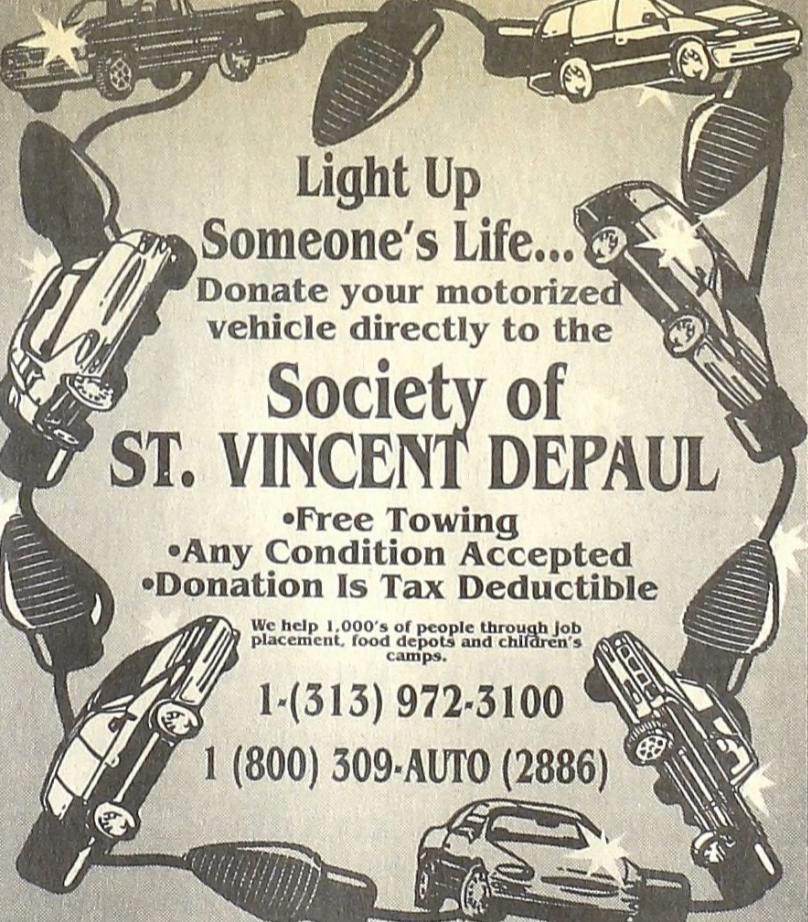
"The main reason we entered into a customer relationship with Safety-Kleen is that our customers for years have been telling us the environment is a main concern to them," Wal-Mart spokesman Keith Morris said.

Goodyear also offers America's Choice to customers at its more than 800 auto service centers. The Akron-based company has Safety-Kleen collect its used oil and other fluids from Goodyear-owned retail stores, re-refine the oil, and return it to Goodyear for reuse.

Dr. Schiffer directs research

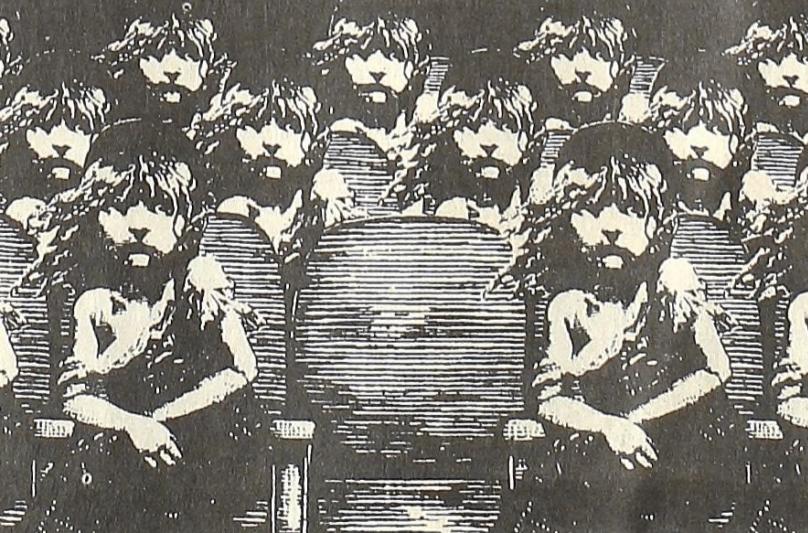
Dr. Charles A. Schiffer has joined the Barbara Karmanos Cancer Institute as director of its clinical research.

He also assumed the position of chief of the Division of Hematology and Oncology and will serve as professor of medicine in the Wayne State University School of Medicine.



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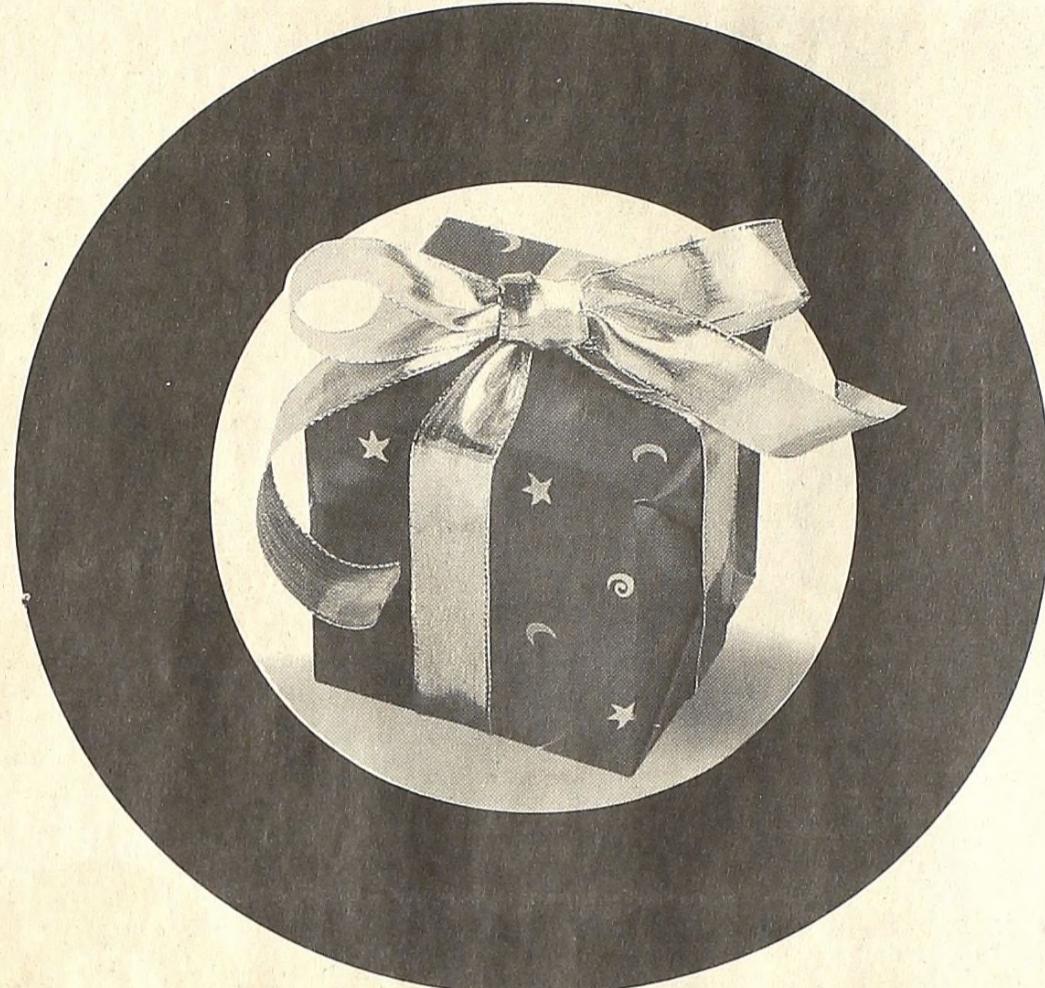
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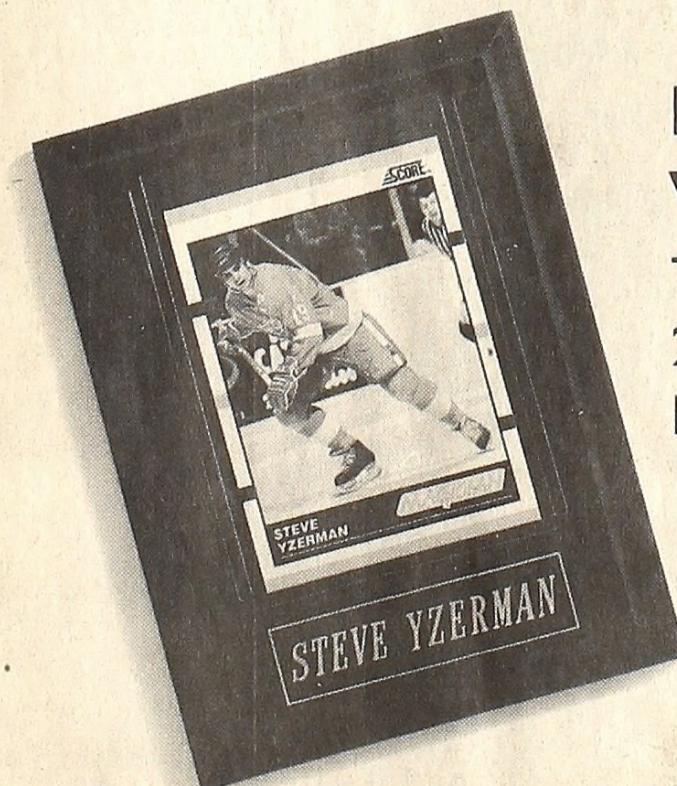
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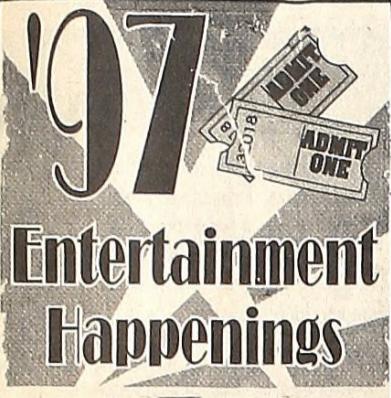
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Holiday events abound

The following events are slated during the holiday season:

- Spirit of Christmas 1997 Domino's Farms Christmas Light Display from Nov. 21 through Dec. 31. Open 6 to 10 p.m. nightly. Donation, \$5 per vehicle on weekdays through Thursday, and \$7 on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

- Battle Creek sponsors its 18th Holiday Parade on Nov. 22 at 6 p.m. The Festival of Lights also begins on the same day.

- The Holly Daze Caper, an audience participation murder mystery will be staged every Saturday at 6:30 p.m. from Nov. 22 to Dec. 31. Information about the Jackson Productions Dinner Theater play at Fiorelli's Restaurant in Flat Rock is available by calling 782-1431.

- From Nov. 22 through Dec. 28 at BASF Park in Waterfront Park in Wyandotte, Henry Ford Health System Light Fest will be open. The Light Fest will celebrate its grand opening at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 22. Hours are 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Sundays through Thursdays and 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Sundays through Thursdays and 6:30 to 10 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. Cost is \$2.50 for adults, \$2 for seniors (65 and older) and \$1 for children.

- Lights Before Christmas begins on Nov. 21 at the Toledo Zoo and continues through Jan. 4. The display will be closed Nov. 27, Dec. 24 and 25 and Jan. 1. Nightly hours are 5 to 8:30 p.m.

- Set for the Holidays at Meadow Brook Hall, Nov. 28 through Dec. 7. Hours 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., except for Dec. 2 and 3 when hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Call 248-370-3140 for information.

- A Christmas Carol plays at Meadow Brook Theatre from Nov. 28 to Dec. 28. Call 248-377-3300 for ticket information.

- Zoo Lights Festival at Binder Park Zoo, Battle Creek from 5 to 9 p.m. Nov. 28 to Dec. 30 (except Christmas Eve and Christmas Day).

- At Brickscape in Northville, a Victorian Festival will take place from noon to 4 p.m. Nov. 29 and Dec. 6.

- Henry Ford Estates host Christmas at Fair Lane beginning Dec. 2 and continuing through Dec. 31. Public tours are available during December on weekdays. For tickets or information, call Kathleen Haag, 593-5590.

- Christmas Bazaar & Craft Show, sponsored by the Inkster Parks & Recreation Department and IPACT from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Dec. 6 at the Booker Dozier Recreation Complex, 2025 Middlebelt Road, Inkster.

- Noel Night is celebrated at the University Cultural Center from 5 to 9:30 p.m. Dec. 6. A holiday tree-lighting ceremony plus hand bell choirs and outdoor serenades are featured.

- Victorian Christmas at Ford-MacNichol Home, 2610 Biddle Ave., Wyandotte on Dec. 6 and 7 from 1 to 5 p.m. Admission is free.

Give gift of books for Christmas

A book left in someone's Christmas stocking is a gift that will last throughout the holiday season and beyond.

Books can be enjoyed after the decorations and trimmings have been put away for the next season, and their enjoyment can be shared with other readers.

For ideas on "what's hot and what's not" in books, talk to your local librarian or a book store proprietor. There are books for all ages and all interests plus audio books for those who like to listen to their favorite stories while commuting to work or traveling on vacation.

Listed on this page is a sampling of the variety of books now on sale. If these don't appeal to you, there's hundreds -- even thousands -- more from which to choose.

Happy holiday reading!

Good hair! Novel tells of black woman's romance

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER
MCN Managing Editor

Black women should enjoy Benilde Little's *Good Hair* for its story line and humor -- the same reasons that white readers will enjoy it.

Its title comes from the term, "good hair," which indicates a black person who possesses either naturally straight, wavy or loosely curled hair rather than tightly coiled hair -- an adoption of a white standard of beauty.

While it is the story of Alice Anderson an intelligent black girl from a working-class Newark family, who enters a romance with a Harvard-educated doctor, Jack Russworm, it could be the story of anyone -- black or white -- who comes from a middle-class upbringing and pairs with a person of a "higher" social standing.

The two meet when Alice is bumped into first class on a flight to New York and is seated next to Jack. When she learns of his elite background, she becomes insecure about her working-class background and somewhat uncomfortable about moving in the status-conscious circle of Manhattan's black elite.

Little says that there is something unique about a black woman's dating experience because of "class baggage." Status is established by asking two questions: Where did you grow up? and Where did you go to college? It's a social shorthand used to determine someone's social class, said Little.

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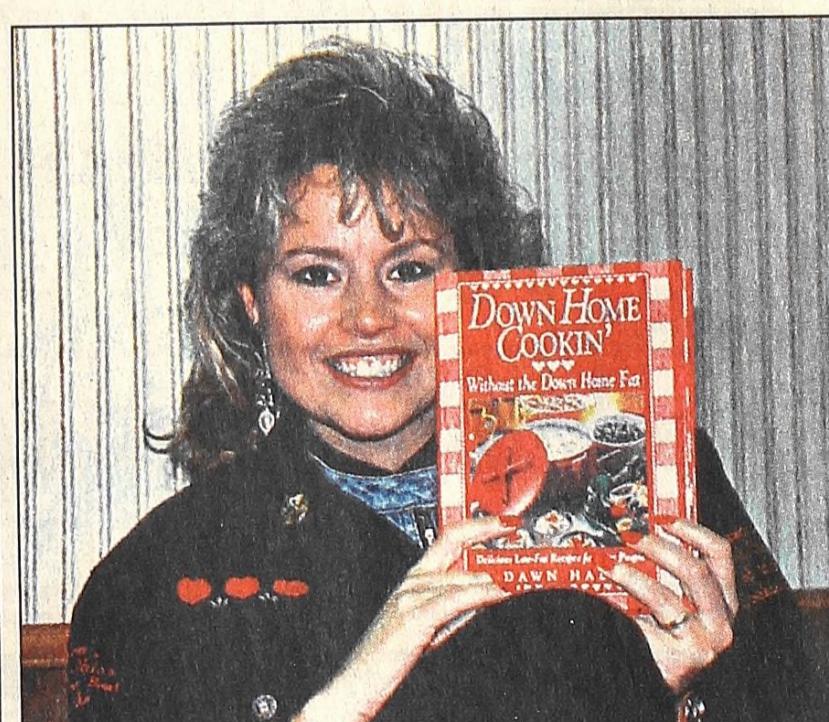
Benilde Little

scribes the book as "a treatise on the class distinction that the African American community imposes on itself, where such distinctions come from and what they mean."

Above all, it's a well written, good story -- not too preachy or serious. And, it ends "happily ever after," like a tale of romance is supposed to conclude.

The author Benilde Little is a former Arts & Entertainment editor of *Essence* magazine and a contributor to *Heart and Soul*. She has written for *People*, *In Style* and the *Star-Ledger* and is a frequent guest on BET's *Our Voices* and has appeared on *Today* and well as numerous other national talk shows.

Good Hair, published by Scribner Paperback Fiction/Simon & Schuster, sells for \$11, and is available at area book stores.



Dawn Hall displays her popular cookbook. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

Cookbook can be used as fund-raiser

After the inspirational story of Dawn Hall's "life saving" cookbook appeared in a recent edition, many readers called to ask how they can obtain copies of the book, *Down Home Cookin' Without the Down Home Fat*.

Hall told about how she

mortgaged her home to obtain money to publish her cookbook and then used the money she earned to fund experimental cancer treatment for her husband.

"This cookbook is a gift from God that has helped up raise the \$100,000 needed for my



Here comes Santa!

Children of all ages will welcome Santa at 11 a.m. Nov. 22 as he arrives by horse and carriage at the Westland Shopping Center. The John Glenn High School Marching Band will lead Santa and Westley Holiday Bear to the West Court where Bananas in Pajamas will appear in a holiday performance. Kids can visit Santa from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. weekdays and from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sundays. MCN Special Photo

201 ways Book tips make weddings special

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER
MCN Managing Editor

201 Unique Ways to Make Your Wedding Special was published 13 years too late for me, but I can still use some of the suggestions to spark up my parties in the future.

Ideas for wedding centerpieces and dessert tables can be "borrowed" for any occasion, and the book overflows with unique party ideas.

Of course, the main focus of the book is to make the wedding memorable for the bride and groom and their guests. The book contains an array of ideas from the elegant and the homespun to everything in between.

Extravagant ideas include a sterling silver party favor used at a Presidential celebration, antique Victorian napkin rings and an indoor vine and flower gazebo with twinkling lights.

Ideas for the do-it-yourselfers include welcome baskets for out-of-town visitors, a fun "time capsule" bridal shower and a charity canned goods centerpiece (donated to a charity after the event).

In a section on beverages, author Don Altman notes, "With fewer people drinking hard liquor, interesting alternatives are appreciated. More often than not, these non-alcoholic brews are easy on

the budget."

The author suggests a fruit punch bowl fountain with an ice sculpture, a Viennese coffee bar (espresso, cafe latte, cappuccino) or a white bar (champagne and wines) instead of the traditional open bar.

Of course, these non-alcohol beverages could be served in addition to a traditional bar to accommodate those who do not drink alcohol.

An idea that especially appealed to me -- and one that I plan to adapt for a non-wedding party -- is an English high tea.

It's an Old World custom dating back to England in the 1800s, and is the high point of the afternoon on many cruise ships.

English high tea is gaining popularity today because it lends late morning or afternoon weddings a look that is distinctive, elegant and creative, while still keeping all the traditional values and historical meanings of the wedding ceremony, according to Altman.

Traditionally, a high tea contains a combination of savories and sweets -- sandwiches, appetizers and desserts.

One traditional high tea sandwich is the English cucumber and tomato sandwich on brown bread. There are

also a variety of puffs and pastry cups filled with chicken salad and fresh cheeses plus scones with cream and jam, chocolate chip pound cake and custard cups with chocolate topping. Hot tea and coffee are served along with sherry, if desired.

The high tea can be a unique option for the bride and groom who are on a budget, but still want an elegant reception.

The book also offers unique suggestions for replacing the traditional guest book: An art canvas on an easel, a Christmas tree skirt (used with indelible ink pens) for a holiday wedding or the back of a large jigsaw puzzle made from a photo of the bridal couple. Guests could also be asked to write a memory of the bride or groom in a memory album.

The book lists many unusual places to be married from an arboretum to a zoo. It also lists unique entertainment possibilities (barbershop quartet, caricature artist, kiltie, mariachi band or a multi-image show).

From the bachelor party to the reception, *201 Unique Ways to Make Your Wedding Special* is well worth the \$9.95 price.

The book is published by Moon Lake Media and is available in Borders Books, Barnes & Noble and independent book stores.

Upon approval, 36 books will be sent UPS along with ideas to successfully run a fund-raiser. After the 36 books are sold, a check can be sent to Cozy Homestead Publishing. Books also can be purchased singly.

husband's cancer treatment. Now it's time for this book to help others," said Hall.

The book, which contains 250 recipes plus tips on physical fitness, is available for fund-raising groups or patients who need to raise extra money for the medical expenses that

are not covered by insurance.

To obtain books for fund-raisers, write, fax or call Cozy Homestead Publishing, 5425 S. Fulton-Lucas Road, Swanton, Ohio 43558. The phone number is 419-826-2665 or toll-free 1-888-4-DOWN-HOME, and the fax number is 419-826-2700.

Out on the Town

Bob, Benny tell about events

By BEN E. JET
& BOB HARRIS

Bob Harris (the guy who works at the MCN newspaper -- 729-4000) and myself (the guy with the big beard who plays in the Benny and the Jets Band) get together every week to write this column about people, places, entertainment, dining and things to do. If you know of an event, restaurant or entertainment spot that you would like to see in our column, give us a call at 313-730-1627.

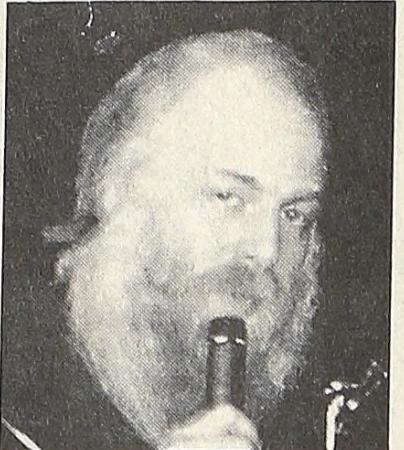
Local singer and entertainer Wally Jackson, who now performs at Daisy Duke's in Westland, spent many years performing at the Mustang Lounge on Michigan Avenue (now the 747). Few people will remember that before his stand at the Mustang, he performed at Greg's Emergency Room, on Palmer and Merriam, which is now Greg's Bar and Grill. Greg has things really cooking -- \$4.95, Friday fish fry; \$4.95, Saturday steak dinner, and 99 cent lunch, Monday night football party, karaoke, DJs and no cover.

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Area resident Nikki Lyn White has been promoted to general manager of the 64-room Super 8 Motel on I-94 in Belleville. For toll-free reservations, call 8-800-800-8000.



Bob Harris



Ben E. Jet

Local singer and entertainer Wally Jackson, who now performs at Daisy Duke's in Westland, spent many years performing at the Mustang Lounge.

One of the funniest things we do with this column is to try to follow Bob Harris around town. This week, Bob's stops included the Thursday senior citizens homemade dinner at the Village Bar on Michigan Avenue in downtown Wayne. The Village also had live bands Thursday through Saturday and no cover. Bob also stopped at Buck's Place on Warren Avenue one block east of Telegraph, which has live bands Thursday through Sunday.

Also, Harris visited the Crystal Lounge on Beech Daly and Joy Roads, Chatters on Wayne Road -- home to Ronda and the RPM Band -- the Electric Stick on Wayne Road in Westland, which has 24 TVs, pool tables, darts, a full bar and grill and a great lunch and dinner menu. Kicker's All-American Bar and Grill is

home to Joey's Comedy Club, an entertainment complex, comedy club, sports bar, music, dancing daily food specials and is a great place to spend New Year's Eve.

Bob was surprised to see: car wash wars on Wayne Road south of Cherry Hill, washing cars for \$1; Mr. Mike's on Ford Road torn down; the beautiful new library in Westland; Jamie's on Ford closed also and the popular Studio Lounge on Wayne Road closed.

Bob's pick of the week: Farwell and Friends, 8051 Middlebelt. Lunch and dinner menus include roast turkey, one-pound Alaskan king crab legs, porterhouse and pork chops with garlic roasted red-skin potatoes. You can enjoy dining and dancing (the Lost and Found Band) in the midst of a Christmas decorated Fantasy Land.

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More than hustling!

Most pool players rack 'em up for fun

By DON RICHTER
MCN Special Writer

You think you're good at billiards (or pool, as we laymen call it)? Are you the top player in your family or in your group of friends? Are you unbeatable at the local bar?

If you answered yes to any of those questions, then stop on by the Ivory Room or the Electric Stick and test your poise and skill against some of the best area players in their in-house or travel pool leagues.

Test your mettle against the likes of Paul Franks, who works 50-60 hours a week yet still finds the time to practice and play the game that he loves 20-30 hours a week. All he has done recently is win the individual league title at the Electric Stick in Westland.

Or go up against Jake Akers, the league director at the Ivory Room in Garden City. He owns a victory in 9-ball against professional billiards player Buddy Hall to go along with his close matches against other highly rated pro players, such as Grady Matthews, Nick Varner and Jim Rempie.

Akers' love affair with pool had an inauspicious beginning.

"My brother and I had a pool table in the basement growing up, but we fought over it so much that my father got rid of it," he said.

He didn't start playing again until he was 30. He began playing at Snookers, another local pool hall, and started coming to the Ivory Room a week after they opened up. He has rare

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left since.

Akers, who admits to practicing around 40 hours a week, says he is addicted to the sport.

"The ironic thing is that my wife at the time pushed me into pool and then ended up divorcing me because of it," he chuckles.

"As long as my health holds out, I'm going to keep playing pool until I die."

At the Electric Stick, Franks, owner of a furniture store says: "I'm never going to stop playing. My wife has been kind enough to let me play and we've had a wonderful marriage all these years. Why should I stop?"

Ron Smith, 37, Franks' playing partner, said: "I've been playing all of my life. It's such a high when you beat someone whom you're not supposed to beat. It's that challenge and the challenge to play above yourself that's gotten me hooked."

Franks says: "When everything clicks, when you just can't miss, it's a great feeling. I love the creativity of the game and the strategy that's involved. The mental part of the game is so very important."

At the other end of the pool stick is Ami Castel, who has just started playing at the Ivory Room. "I started playing about a year ago," she said. "I

had never really been into pool. But, since I was hanging out here, I thought I might as well try playing."

She now plays around four nights a week and competes in the Ivory Room's Travel League. "Everyone is so nice and friendly. You meet a lot of people playing in a league. Even when I mistakenly pop the cue ball off the table, nobody makes too much fun out of it," she laughs.

"The more you learn about the game, the more fun it becomes. Everyone here helps me so much with my game. I would recommend playing in a pool league for anyone. Don't be afraid. It's a lot of fun."

At the Ivory Room there's a Travel League, where five to eight players from the bar travel to other local bars to compete against their top players in eight-ball.

They also have an in-house league on Tuesday and Wednesday, where eight- and nine-ball are played.

The cost to join these leagues is minimal.

Over at the Electric Stick, night manager Lee Word runs a Travel League and a nine-ball league on Monday and Tuesday, and an eight-ball league on Wednesday. Again, the cost is minimal.

The Ivory Room recently finished 17 out of 500 teams in the National Travel League Championships from Las Vegas.

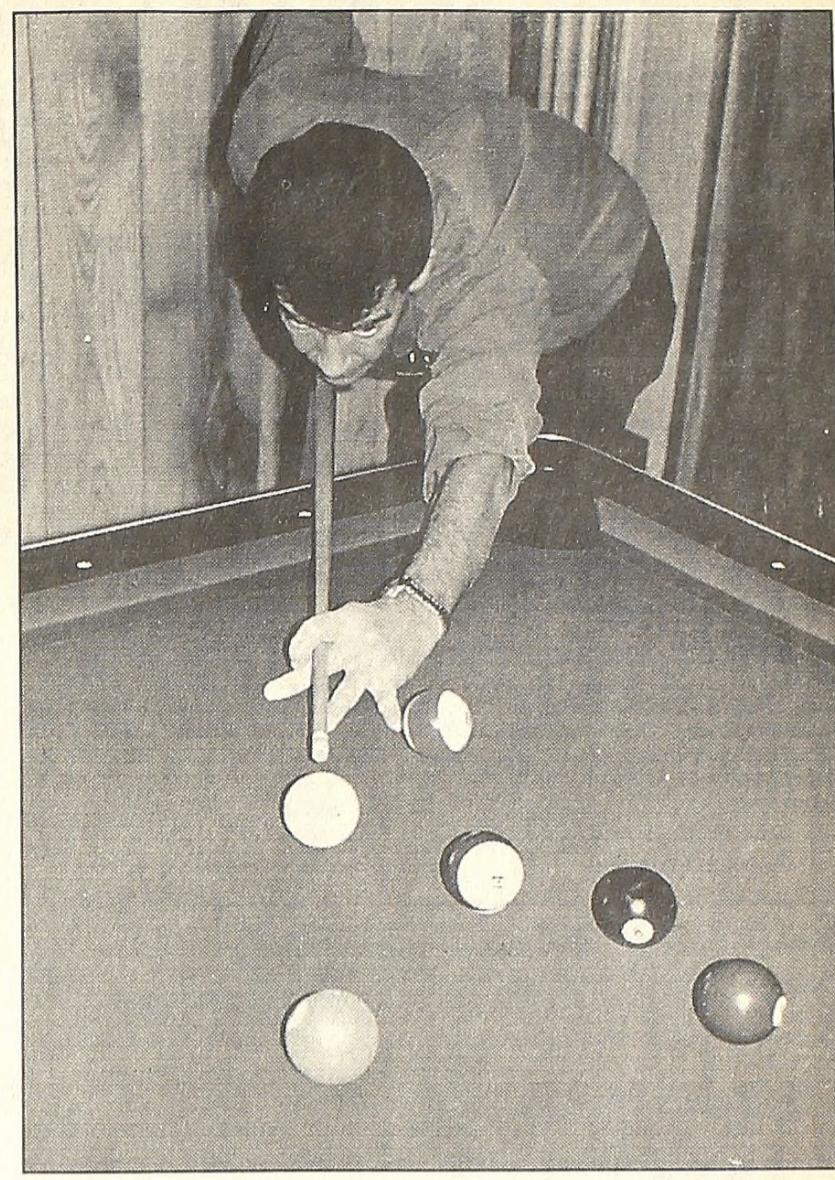
The Electric Stick was recently voted the number one pool hall in America by Billiards Digest.

Word says: "We held the first annual Wheelchair Championship of the World here earlier this year. It was a sanctioned event."

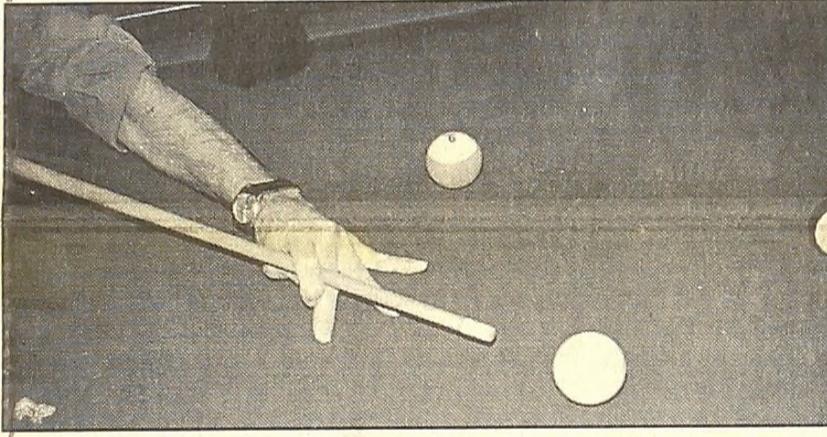
"We had players from all over the world here - from Europe, Canada, the United States, and even some players from Africa."

"Next year, hopefully, ESPN is going to come here to cover the event."

Rack 'em up.



A steady hand and a good eye are a must for shooters. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner



Player lines up a shot carefully before he shoots it into the pocket.
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School raises funds

McDonald's restaurants of Southeast Michigan hosted a one-day McEducator's fund raiser for Westland John Glenn High School at the loca-

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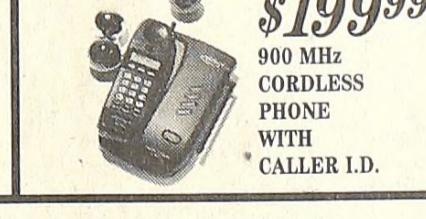
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Helping others

Agency matches orphans, new parents

By JENNY JOHNSON
MCN Staff Writer

Many couples adopt children, but John and Linda Hinkle of Garden City went one step further. After successfully adopting two children, they decided to open their own agency, Adoptees Help Adopt International, Inc. to help other families find fulfillment.

"We've been there," Linda said.

After four years of trying to have a baby, Linda and John Hinkle decided to adopt a child. When they contacted different agencies they were told there was at least a six-year wait to adopt a child from the United States. Also, in Michigan, birth parents have up to six months to decide if they want their child back.

"We sure didn't plan on going half way around the world to adopt a child," John said.

But this seemed to be the safest and fastest way to adopt a child.

After seeing a report on the news, they started to look abroad. They found an orphanage in Russia with healthy children looking for parents. They began their search in January, 1996.

In May 1996, they adopted a 5-year-old boy. He spoke only Russian but today, Linda said, "He is a typical American boy."

Adoptees Help Adopt International, Inc. in Westland is looking for homes for about 100 healthy children from the

He is 6 years old and in the first grade.

In April, they adopted a 9-month-old girl from an orphanage in Nizhni Novgorod. Today she is a 17-month-old toddler.

Russian law allows adoptive parents to change children's original names and birthplaces on their birth certificates.

John and Linda named their son, Jonathon Michael and their daughter, Ashlynn Marie.

"We wanted to give them a new life and independence," Linda said.

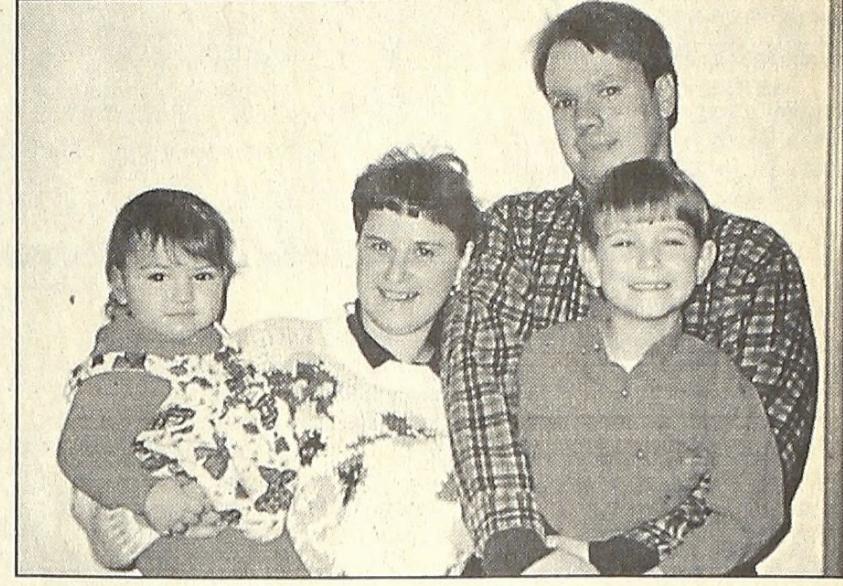
Jonathon is a U.S. citizen and Ashlynn will be in the next few months.

Linda has something in common with her children. She was adopted at birth. She is in the unique position to be able to experience both sides of adoption.

She said the adoption process is sometimes like a roller coaster ride. It can also be very stressful. But it fills an emptiness and void for people who can't conceive their own children.

Because they remember the faces in the orphanage and want to share the fulfillment they have found, the Hinkles decided to start their own adoption agency.

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Linda and John Hinkle adopted their children, 17-month-old Ashlynn and 6-year-old Jonathon, from Russia. They have started their own agency, Adoptees Help Adopt International, Inc. MCN photo by Jenny Johnson

same orphanage the Hinkles adopted Ashlynn.

"We want to get these kids into homes," John said.

The children are six months and older. Russia requires the children remain in a data bank for six months. This ensures when a couple decides on a child, the birth parents have already given up their parental rights.

The adoption is finalized in Russia.

The Hinkles got their license and are ready to help prospective parents. They, along with a facilitator in

Russia, will help with the entire adoption process.

From the initial consultation to the six month follow up visit after the adoption, the Hinkles are there to help.

If a couple has already had a home visit, they could have a child by Christmas, John said.

Adoptees Help Adopt International has no waiting list.

Anyone interested in more information can call Adoptees Help Adopt International, Inc. at 467-6222.

"We hope to help other people fill the void," Linda said.

Infants born at Oakwood Hospital

The following infants were born Oct. 20 to Randy and Terri Crout Moffat of Romulus. Grandparents are Howard and Patricia Moffat of Romulus and Harry and Sandra Crout of Romulus. Great-grandparents are Harvey and Betty Rhodes of Belleville, Helen Moffat of Florida and Joseph and Gladys Tanzos of Buena Vista, Fla.

Miranda Mae Moffat was born Oct. 21 to Randy and Terri Crout Moffat of Romulus. Grandparents are Howard and Patricia Moffat of Romulus and Harry and Sandra Crout of Romulus. Great-grandparents are Harvey and Betty Rhodes of Belleville, Helen Moffat of Florida and Joseph and Gladys Tanzos of Buena Vista, Fla.

Anthony Patrick Powell was born to Dawn Beem and Anthony Powell of Romulus on Oct. 24. Grandparents are Barbara and Donald Oberts and Earl Clifford Beem, all of Romulus.

Lawrence Doane was born Oct. 28 to Paula Doane and Kevin Coffey of Wayne. Grandparents are Oma Goodman of Romulus and Earl and Phyllis Doane of Romulus.

On Oct. 28, Chad was born to Mark Zimmerman and Teresa Ratliff of Taylor. Grandparents

are Elmer and Shirley Zimmerman of Wayne and Casimer and Laura Ochalek of Grayling.

Veronica Lorraine Wilson, the daughter of Beth and Keith Wilson of Westland, was born Nov. 7. Grandparents are Sheila Pellar of Redford and Mary Wilson of Peoria, Ariz.

Michael Kevin Nathan Jr., the son of Rutilya and Michael Nathan of Inkster, was born Nov. 11. Grandparents are Elizabeth Barns and Eddie Robinson of Inkster, Rufus and Ada Sizemore of Inkster and Minnie and Joe Nathan of Montgomery, Ala.

Canton student receives award

Carla Kittler, a Schoolcraft College student and Canton resident, competed in a state-wide Conference for Student Scholars. Her division won a \$100 prize

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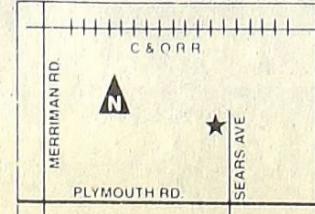
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Veteran golfer Mary Laverack, second from left, is shown during the presentation of the first annual Charlie Lau Christian Golfing Award. With her are from left: Matt Magrane, Laverack, Virena Lyke (sister of the late Charlie Lau), newly elected Romulus Councilman Leroy Burcroff and Pastor Brad Lewis of the Community United Methodist Church. MCN Special Photo

Woman wins 1st Lau golf award

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

Mary Laverack, a veteran Romulus golfer and long-time Christian, was awarded the first annual Charlie Lau Golfing Award recently following the second annual non-alcoholic Community United Methodist Church Men's Club golf outing at Shady Hollow Golf Course.

Mr. Lau, a noted Romulus Christian and golfer, died Nov. 21, 1996. Fellow members of the local church's men's club decided a short time later to set up a memorial marking two of his main loves—Christianity and golf.

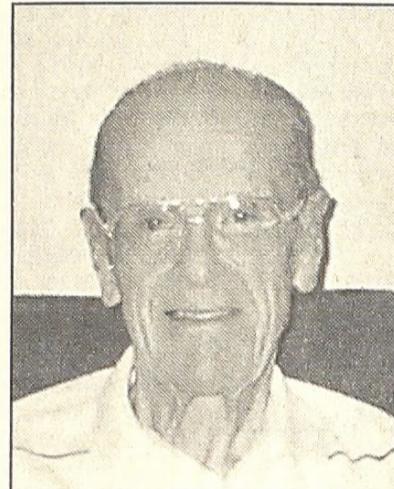
Mr. Lau also was the father of former professional baseball hitting coach Charlie Lau, who died a decade ago. A baseball field behind the Romulus High School was named in honor of the Major League coach shortly after his death.

Laverack, a widow of more than 22 years, said she was "shocked" when it was announced that she was the first winner of the Lau trophy.

"Charlie was a hard golfer to beat on the links," Laverack said and she would low key it the "few times I beat him."

Matt Magrane and LeRoy Burcroff, recently elected city councilman, served as co-chairmen of the golf outing attended by 56 area men and women.

Winners of the following doubles teams were: Women, Laverack and Nancy Schonbeck; Mixed, Rich and Nan



Charlie Lau

Kokila; and Men, Merle and Mark Kelly, a father and son team that won for the second year in a row.

The women's division winners for the closest to the pin for the front 9 holes was Anita Petrone and the longest drive, Jane Manchester.

Closest to the pin for the back 9 holes was Irene Scheffer and the longest drive went to Laverack.

In the men's division, the winner of the closest to the pin (front 9) was Tom Holland and the longest drive was Mike LeBlanc.

Closest to the pin (back 9) was Jim Whaley and the longest drive was Charles Jackett.

Magrane said after the golf outing "we were pleased with the growth in the number of golfers this year over last year. We are sure that the non-alcoholic atmosphere we offer contributed to that increase."

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The airman is a 1996 graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School, Plymouth.

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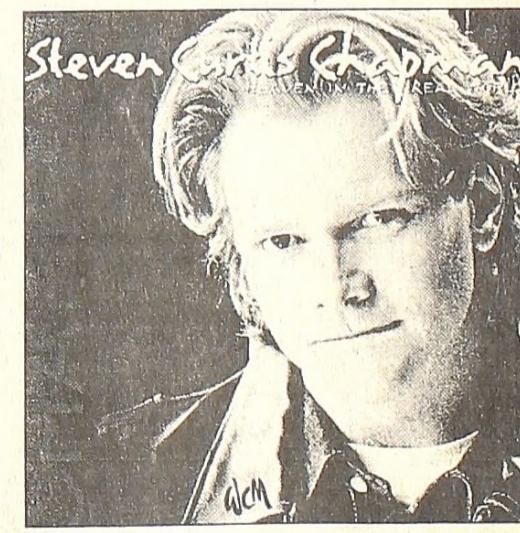
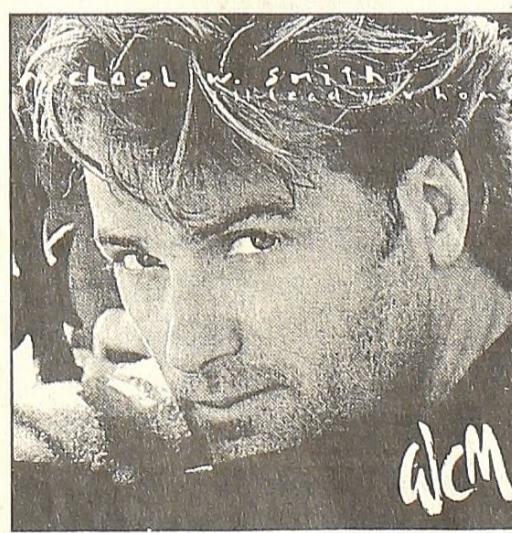
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Holiday parties can be fun

By JENNY JOHNSON
MCN Staff Writer

We've all gotten them. The invitations to numerous holiday parties. How many cups of eggnog are we expected to drink? But what if you were told holiday parties can be fun.

This is the theme to Denise Distel Dytrych's new book. *Christmas Party Celebrations - 71 New and Exciting Party Plans for Holiday Fun* has the answer to your party planning worries.

She refers to a party like a cake. There are 11 ingredients: theme, guest list, location, invitations, budget, time, decorations, entertainment, party favors, food plus beverage, don't forgets and the "icing."

All parties have the first 10 ingredients. Her book concentrates on the last one, and she provides 71 different "icings."

Dare to be different. Get those creative juices floating, she said.

She advocates parties with a variety of themes. Whether it's charitable, sports or international, she provides fun ideas for it all. There's the Pause for a Cause party, How the Grinch Tried to Steal Christmas event and We Wish You a Bear-Christmas Party.

Invitations are the first thing guests will see of your party. It may be a red rose with a card send for a Rose Bowl Party or an eight-track tapes for a disco party.

Dytrych said the invitation must grab a guest's attention. Her idea of food is anything

that can be dumped or poured out of a box, bottle, jar or bag.

This is not the time to get stressed. In fact, Dytrych suggests a fa la la... Ahhh...Spa Party.

Of course, some of us really enjoy the traditions of the holiday season. There's the We Love Christmas Party that includes mistletoe invitations, red attire and love foods like

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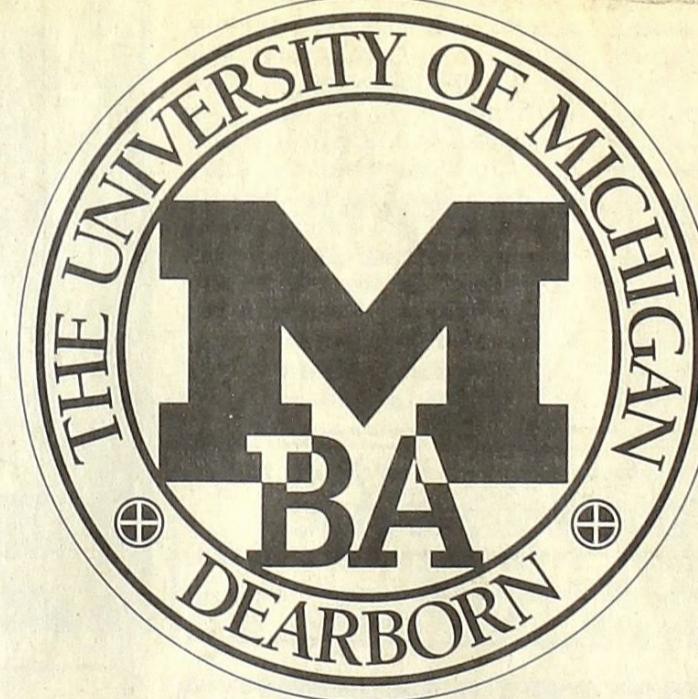
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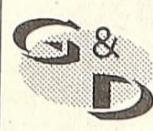
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Stottlemeyer students practice fire safety

By JENNY JOHNSON
MCN Special Writer

How young is too young to teach children about fire safety?

All of the preschool programs at Stottlemeyer Early Childhood Center on Marquette in Westland got a visit

from the Westland Fire Department on Thursday.

They were shown the fire engine and ambulance and some of the equipment firefighters use before they enter a burning building.

The demonstration was briefly interrupted when the firemen had to leave to put out

a real fire. But they came back to continue their important lesson.

Fire fighters from Station 1 at Ford Road and Central City were: Ron Francis, Larry Cagnan, Dave Wilbert, Glen Westinghausen and Mike Parsons.

The purpose of this visit was



Head Start students at Stottlemeyer Early Childhood Center in Westland were able to see the inside of an ambulance when Westland firefighters from Station 1 visited their school to talk about fire safety. MCN photo by Jenny Johnson

to familiarize the students with the emergency vehicles and to initiate fire safety discussions in the classrooms, said Ron Barratt, director of preschool services.

Francis said the students are shown the vehicles and equipment that is used in emergencies so children won't be afraid of it.

Although the students were amazed by the size of the fire truck and the lights and sirens, the teachers used this as a springboard to engage in fire safety activities.

Students are learning to dial 911 for an emergency, what to do if a fire breaks out at home and other emergency procedures. Most of all they are told fire is hot and it will hurt them.

At three and four years old, are they too young to understand these messages?

Wilbert said the goal for children of this age is to understand not to play with matches, fire is dangerous and if their clothes catch on fire to stop, drop and roll.

Rita Wyler a Head Start teacher said her class is learning the do's and don't of fire safety. They know don't play with matches and do get out of your house if it is on fire.

"Fire prevention week isn't until next month but since the fire trucks were coming we took the opportunity to talk about fire safety," she said.

As the children left Wilbert said, "Stay safe and be fire smart."



Fire safety

Pre-school students at St. Michael Lutheran School in Canton sat on the back of a fire truck and listened to firefighters talk about safety tips. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

Inkster Housing works on image

The first order of business at the beginning of each work day is to "attend to the needs of the residents and then to ask ourselves what can we do today that we didn't do yesterday," said Inkster Housing Director Floyd Simmons.

"Currently, we're restoring apartments, moving in new residents, cleaning up debris and beautifying our community," he said.

A decision was made to bring Jean Bradford "on board" as an image builder to participate in the rebirth of Inkster Housing.

"Clearly, there is something infectious about what she feels about her work," the director said.

Since Sept. 6, when Bradford joined the rebirth effort, she has been involved in the following successes:

- A beautiful model home on Lehigh is available for viewing.

- She has been on two radio stations image building and recruiting new residents to the community.

- She has helped organize the first annual "incredible" Christmas Bazaar, sponsored by the Inkster Group as a fundraiser, which will be held Nov. 30 in the Simmons Center, 29150 Carlyle Road, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

- The first annual Blues Knockout has been organized on Nov. 29 in the Simmons Center.

- The first of its kind, a workshop - a 12-week course Kids and Money - for youngsters eight to 10 years old will commence on Nov. 22 at the Simmons Center. When the course is completed, the children will be "owners" of their business.

- Adjacent to the above, Trinity Productions, which presents plays and hosts drama workshops, is now located in Simmons Center, as well.

The scheduled events are good news for the rebirth, and more plans - and even better news - will be announced in the months to come, said the director.

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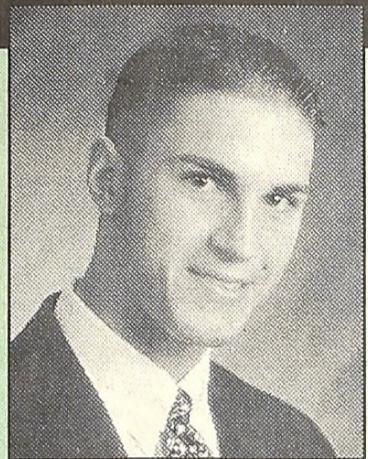
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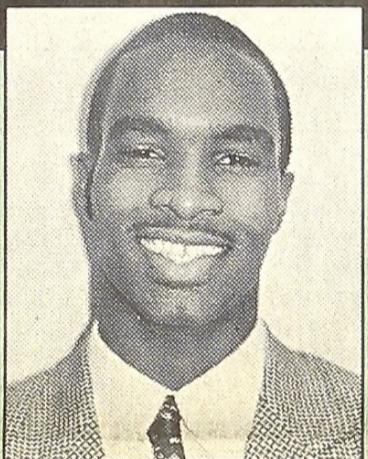
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JUSTIN BERENT

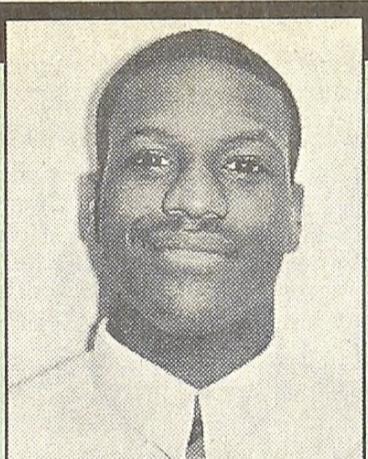
At this point, fans and coaches can only speculate what a healthy Justin Berent would have meant to the John Glenn season. Berent, a 6-6, 200-pound senior quarterback, considered one of the finest high school QBs in the state this year, was injured midway through the campaign. Before he was sidelined with a knee injury, Berent managed to lead the Rockets to six consecutive victories, passed for 879 yards and 10 touchdowns.

**REGGIE SPEARMON**

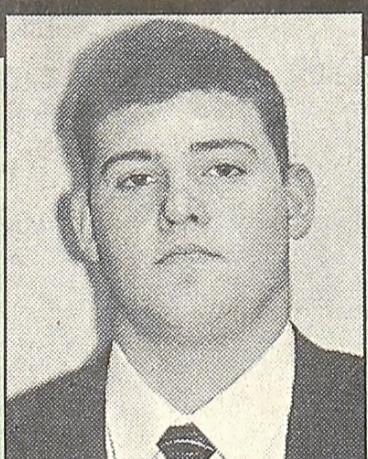
One player who will return to lead John Glenn in 1998 is junior Reggie Spearmon, an unanimous coaches' pick for the all-Western Lakes Conference team. The 5-9, 176-pound elusive running back scored 12 touchdowns and rushed for 1,200 yards in a season that saw the Rockets post a 7-3 overall record and qualify for the state playoffs for the fifth time in six years. "Reggie runs hard and is a very tough player."

**ERIC JONES**

Although it was his first year on varsity, Eric Jones made it a memorable one. The 5-11, 183-pound John Glenn split end or flanker had 39 catches for a total of 700 yards. An explosive sophomore - and the only sophomore to make the MCN's All-Area roster - Jones got better and better as the season progressed, according to coach Chuck Gordon. "With players such as Spearmon and Jones returning, I feel we have the making of another competitive team next year."

**NOAH SWARTZ**

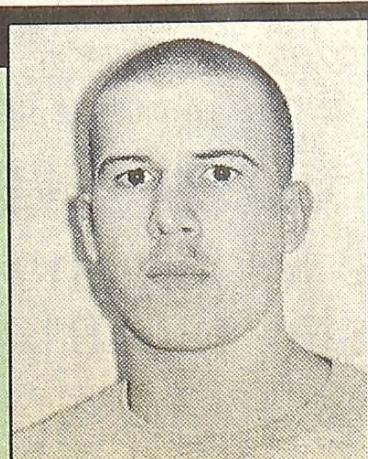
Coaches usually use superlatives to describe Noah Swartz's football talents and potential. The 6-5, 288-pound lineman who also was drafted for the Western Lakes Conference all-conference team is definitely a college caliber ball player, says Glenn coach Chuck Gordon. "Noah Swartz is a very hard-working athlete who is the best lineman to ever play at John Glenn," stressed Gordon.

**SEAN HEARD**

Senior linebacker Sean Heard was the fourth Westland John Glenn player to be tapped by Western Lakes Conference coaches for the all-conference team. For good reasons. Heard is smart and a dynamic football player whose athletic skills also have been put to fine use on the baseball diamond. "Sean knows and loves to play football," said Glenn's Chuck Gordon. "He had a tremendous year for us, and his contribution made for the success of this team."

**CHARLIE LEVERENZ**

Named the Most Valuable Player on Wayne Memorial's football squad this year, Charlie Leverenz, kept the Zebras alive in most of their games. And in doing so, he also earned all-conference (Mega Conference, Red Division) consideration. The 6-0, 185-pound defensive halfback is a two-year starter for coach Chuck Howton's team. "Leverenz's performances were among the bright spots for us this year," said Howton.



Woodson was key to revival

At a high school noted nationally for its basketball talent, football suddenly has become the talk of the town.

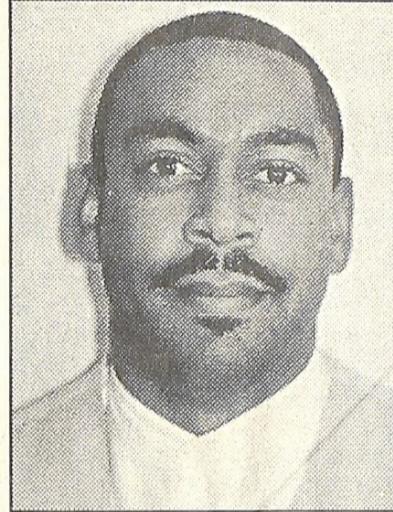
Romulus, a high school that has produced such notable basketball players as Terry Mills, Grant Long and Johnny Long, all former collegiates now NBA stars, has suddenly come alive in the fall with the talk of football championships and Division 1 players.

And the person who is responsible for the sudden attention to the sport is a coach by the name of Mark Woodson.

"He's changed the way the kids think around here," says Jesse Meriweather, the school's athletic director. "Not only are the kids interested in football, but they are improving their grades.

"He's a perfect role model."

The 35-year-old Woodson, who is a former prep, college and pro grid star in his own right, led the Eagles to their best record (5-4) in



Mark Woodson

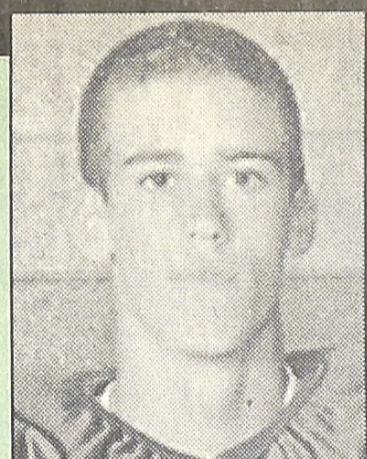
recent years and during the course of the season had a four-game winning streak.

"It isn't the won-lost column that counts, Woodson stresses,

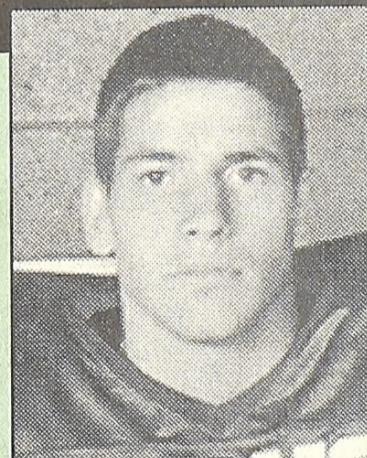
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JEFF MCKIAN

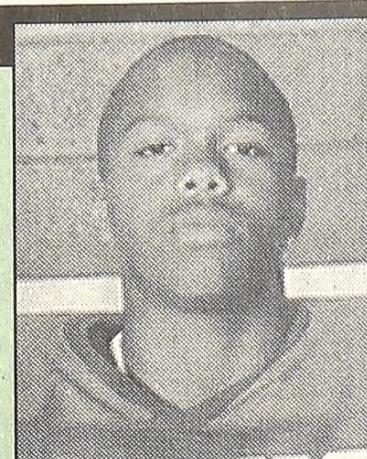
A two-year starter and co-captain of the Plymouth-Salem squad, Jeff McKian has credentials that have even impressed college coaches. The 6-5, 175-pound senior was named to the tough All-Western Lakes Conference team after the senior free safety came up with 28 solo tackles and 36 assists. He also is credited with three interceptions as well as three fumble recoveries. Jeff has blocked three punts and caused two fumbles, while breaking up five passes.

**CHARLIE SCHMIDT**

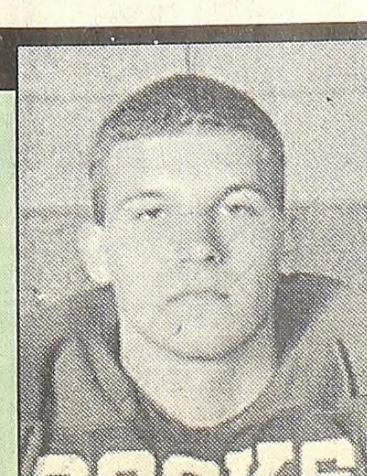
Another Plymouth-Salem leader on and off the field is Charlie Schmidt who was voted by the Western Lakes Conference coaches to the All-Division team. A 5-8, 170-pound running back who doubles as a strong safety on defense, Charlie is considered an "all-purpose player" who gives his all when he is on or off the field, according to Plymouth-Salem coach Tom Moshimer. Schmidt wrapped up his second year.

**ANWAR CRUTCHFIELD**

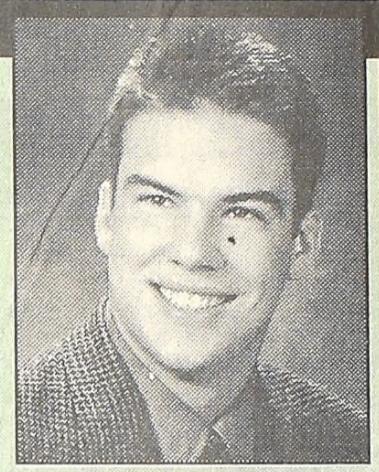
When you consider that Plymouth-Salem coach Tom Moshimer is nearing his fourth-decade as a high school coach and he points out that Anwar Crutchfield is ranked in the top three nose guards that he has ever coached, that's quiet an endorsement. Crutchfield, diminutive in stature - he's 5-5 packs a big wallop in his 185-pound frame. During his senior tour with the Rocks, Anwar is credited with 18 solos, 60 assists.

**BRET BURLESON**

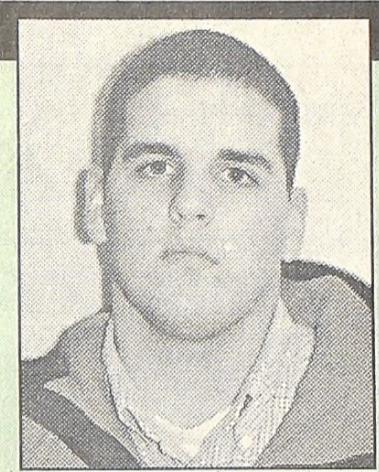
A three-year starter at the tough middle linebacker's post, Plymouth-Salem's Brett Burleson has made the all-conference or all-division teams in the Western Lakes all three of those years. The Rocks' 6-1, 185-pound co-captain also was responsible for calling the defensive plays and when he wasn't dictating strategy he was busy adding to his stats: 10 solos, 89 assists, a fumble recovery and he also broke up a pair of passes.

**MARK POPEJOY**

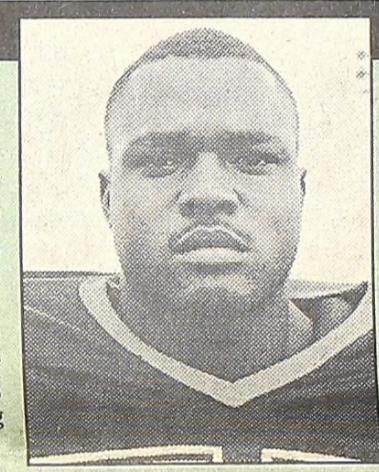
The co-captain of Plymouth-Canton, Mark Popejoy is the spiritual leader of the Chiefs. The 6-3, 235-pound defensive tackle accounted for 39 solo tackles and carded 17 assists en route to earning recognition as one of the top tackles in the Western Lakes Conference. In the trenches, one-on-one, Popejoy was unbeatable, says coach Bob Khoenle. "Mark was an excellent two-way performer for us," Khoenle added.

**KEVIN MOROCZKA**

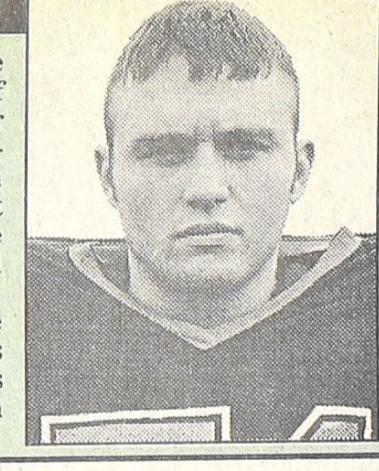
Plymouth-Canton's offensive line was bolstered by the presence of 6-3, 245-pound veteran Kevin Moroczka. Moroczka, a senior, earned praise for his efforts from conference coaches who named him to the elite All-Division team in the Western Lakes Conference. "Kevin is another one of those players who any coach would like to have in their lineup. He has outstanding work ethics." A three-year starter, Moroczka made opponents pay in the pits.

**COREY GOLD**

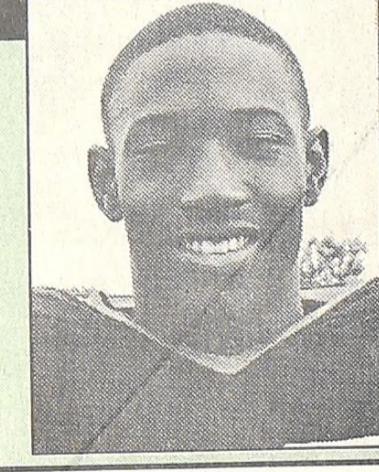
One of the great leaders on a team that captured a share of the Mega Conference, Red Division championship and also qualified for the Class AA playoffs, Belleville senior Cory Gold is definitely Division I material. Groomed as a defensive lineman and the second leading tackler on the Tiger squad this season, Cory is a three-year starter for Coach Bob LaPointe's club which posted an outstanding 8-2 overall record.

**STEVE WOLF**

Multi-talented athlete Steve Wolf is considered "the brains of Belleville's defense," says Tiger coach Bob LaPointe. The 5-11, 185-pound senior was credited with 106 tackles during a campaign that saw the Tigers topple at the time such state powers as Monroe and Dearborn Fordson in the stretch. An unanimous Mega Conference Red Division selection, Wolf also is a standout on the wrestling mats where he also has earned All-Area accolades.

**DERRICK THOMAS**

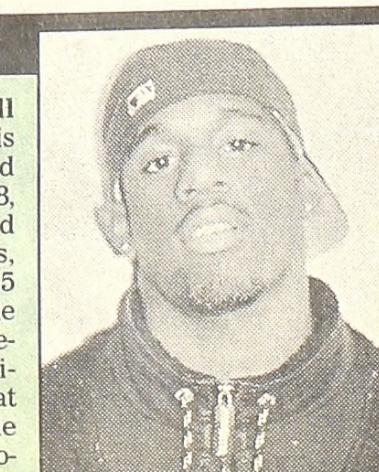
Belleville senior Derrick Thomas could hold down about any position he wanted thanks to his athletic versatility. Utilized by Belleville coach Bob LaPointe as a running back, Thomas managed to rush for 602 yards in 102 carries. He scored five TDs. The two-year starter also held down a defensive halfback slot where he was credited with 27 tackles and an interception. "Derrick had a great season for us."

**OWEN MESTON**

A two-year starter, Belleville's Owen Meston also switched from outside linebacker to tight end for coach Bob LaPointe's Tigers. The 6-1, 180-pound athlete collected 65 tackles, caused one fumble, blocked a punt and was credited with six sacks for huge losses. Also a Mega Conference Red Division pick, look for Meston to be playing college football this fall. "He has great potential. Loves to hit," LaPointe said.

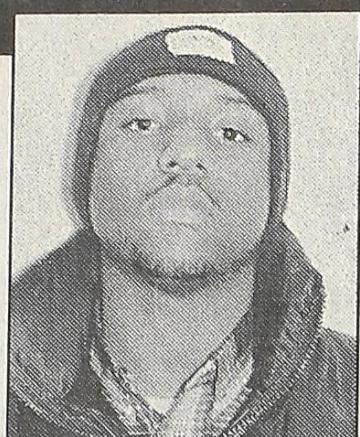
**FREDDIE RUSSELL**

Running back Freddie Russell made Romulus the team it was this season. You had to stop him - and few did - to stop the Eagles. The 5-8, 175-pound junior speedster scored a record-setting 19 touchdowns, rushed for an incredible 1,525 yards in 192 attempts to rewrite the Eagles' records. These phenomenal stats take on yet another dimension when you consider that Russell was pulled from the battle fields when Romulus had its opponents at its mercy.

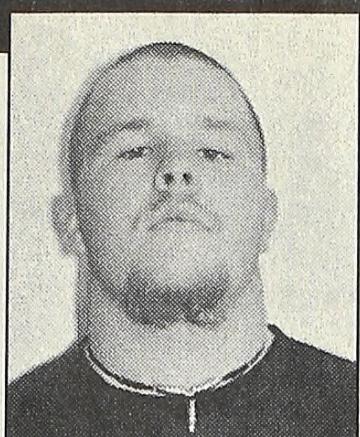


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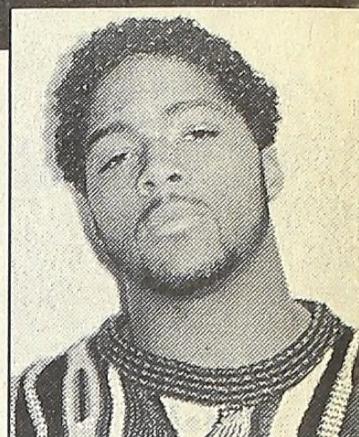
Another blue chip Romulus junior is record-pacesetter **Eddie Woods**, who comes from a long line of outstanding athletes. (His father played for coach Lloyd Carr, now head coach at Michigan, when Carr was an assistant at Eastern Michigan University). The 5-11, 180-pound cornerback, like a hawk patrolling the landscape and the skies for prey, preyed on quarterbacks who attempted to invade the Romulus secondary.

**JEREMY HALL**

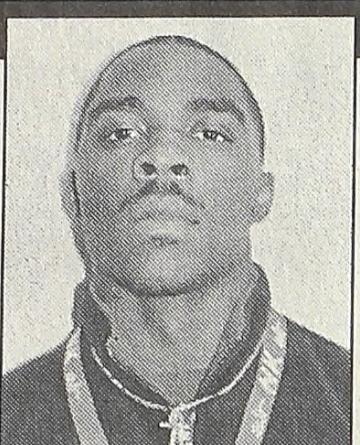
Another two-year varsity starter and all-conference candidate, Romulus **Jeremy Hall** anchored his team's line on offense. The 6-2, 255-pound junior lined up against some of the top linemen in the area and commendably got the job done. "His work ethics are impeccable," stressed coach Mark Woodson. "When you have someone of Jeremy's caliber anchoring your line, you're a step ahead of the opposition."

**DAVARON GRAY**

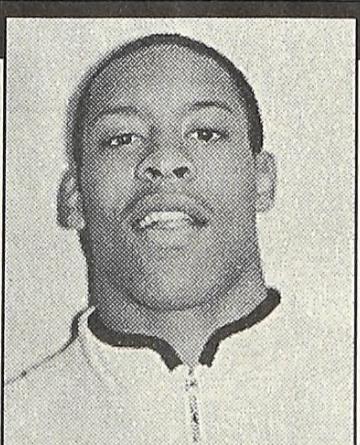
Great speed and moves pushed Robichaud senior tailback **Davaron Gray** over the 1,000-yard rushing mark this season. Unlike former Robichaud great Tyrone Wheatley whose sheer strength and speed powered him into the limelight, Gray has that unique ability to read defenses and adjust quickly and decisively. Gray scored 22 touchdowns, rushed for 1494 yards on 149 carries.

**ROBERT BOYKINS**

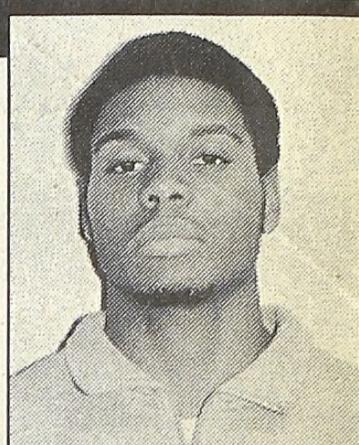
All-conference linebacker **Robert Boykins** helped Romulus post its best overall (5-4) record in recent years. The 5-11, 190-pound junior is one of several underclassmen who coach Mark Woodson says has helped turned the football program around at Romulus. Hardened in karate where he has earned a coveted Black Belt, Boykins became a man of steel as a linebacker and "did it all for the Eagles."

**JASON MALLEY**

One of those rare athletes who started four years on the varsity at Robichaud High, **Jason Malloy** was the "man" the Bulldogs looked to when the going got tough. As a fullback, Jason rushed for 642 yards in 90 attempts and scored nine touchdowns. But it was his blocking acumen that enabled the backfield to clinch. A legitimate All-State candidate, the 6-2, 220-pound Malloy collected 65 solo tackles, 42 assists.

**RODERICK MEANS**

He was tough to throw over or run past and Robichaud's **Roderick Means** knew how to clean up anyone or thing that trespassed into the alley. As a free safety, Means picked off seven passes and amassed 89 yards in returns. Following in his father's footsteps, who also made it here as an All-Area gridiron and trackman and is presently serving on the Westwood School Board, Roderick split his time as an end when on offense.


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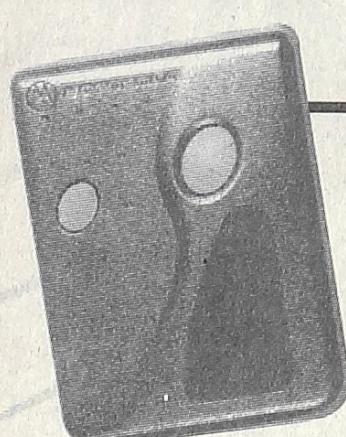
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**Michigan Community
Newspapers'**
Coach of the Year
Woodson

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"but it is the kid. The player. The team. And how it all comes together in life," says the young coach.

Woodson is a former Robichaud High football and track star who went on to play varsity football at Wayne State University where he captained the team in his senior year. He also played professionally in the Canadian League with Toronto and the Detroit Drive. His pro career was cut short after he suffered a severe hamstring pull.

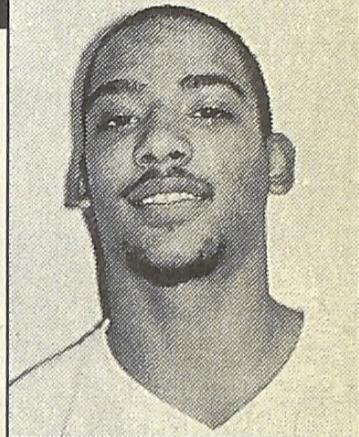
Woodson turned to coaching and teamed up with his former high school coach at Robichaud before electing to take on the challenge of coaching at the noted basketball school, Romulus.

One could make a case that Yauck, who posted a 6-3 record, or Bob LaPointe, whose Tigers at Belleville High School went 8-2 or Westland John Glenn's Chuck Gordon, with a 7-3 record, are equally worthy of the Coach of the Year honor, and the Michigan Community Newspapers' Sports Staff agrees these three coaches are exceptional and have had outstanding seasons.

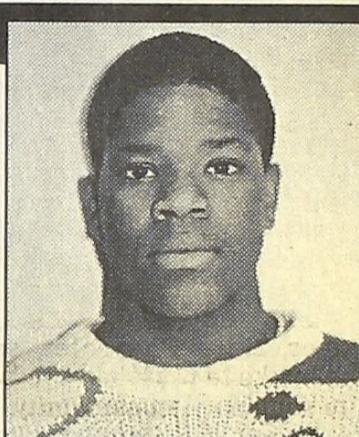
But MCN staffers also believe that Woodson took the sport a dimension further: He rekindled the spirit of football at a school where it was slowly dying. His dedication to the players and the sport merited the post-season honor of Michigan Community Newspapers' Coach of the Year.

PETER BROOKS

An outstanding one-on-one blocker, Robichaud's **Peter Brooks** also saw double duty for coach Bob Yauck's Bulldogs. The 6-3, 190 pound senior was utilized as a tight end where he was credited with catching 12 passes for 244-yards and four touchdowns. He also was an outside linebacker and, as such, was one of the team's leading tacklers.


SHANTE WALTON

In a season that most would like to forget, Inkster High's versatile **Shante Walton** showed that even in defeat he is a winner. Shante, who played almost every position for the Vikings, earned the respect of opposing players and coaches and became the first Inkster High gridiron to be named to the all-Mega Conference Gold Division Team. "He is one of the hardest working players I have ever coached,"


CAMERON MINGO

Wayne Memorial junior Cameron Mingo also made an auspicious debut on the gridiron this year. In his first year as a starter, the 5-9, 175 running back scored 11 touchdowns against some of the finest defenses in the state. (Wayne is a member of the Mega Conference, Red Division which includes such traditionally outstanding football teams as Dearborn Fordson, Belleville and Monroe).

**All MCN football team chosen by
Sports Writer Tom Mooradian with
the help of all area coaches.**

Honorable Mention

Bellefontaine Cullen Jenkins (running back), C.J. Grantham (quarterback), Luke Randolph (center), Dwayne Turner (strong safety). **Romulus** High Chris Huggins (tight end), Owen Roper (guard), Norman Trotter (cornerback), Chaz Fikes (strong safety), Carleton McCauley (flanker), Rexie Wells (defensive tackle), Claude Hawkins (nose guard)

Plymouth-Canton Nick Allen (linebacker-fullback), Eric Fraser (quarterback), Brian Musser (defensive halfback), Pat Holland (linebacker), Bryon Miller (defensive halfback), Larry Anderson (defensive halfback), Corey Reardon (linebacker)

Robichaud High Quantane Riley (quarterback), Larry Young (tackle), Theodore Daniels (tackle), Alex Hudgens (guard), Ravelle Jackson (strong safety)

Wayne Memorial Jeremy Overton (end), James Colianne (tackle), Mike Shaw (center)

John Glenn Chet Rees (defensive halfback), Ryan Franks (offensive line), Matt Biddinger (wide receiver), Jake Tharp (linebacker), Eric Goldston (defensive line), Lou Krause (offensive line), Antonio Gibson (fullback)

Plymouth-Salem Teona Wilson (defensive line), Eric Peterson (linebacker), Jason Lukasik (linebacker), Joe Tebben (offensive line), Rob Welch (center), Andy Kocoloski (defensive halfback), Tony Bernhardt (quarterback), Matt Fair (quarterback). **Inkster** High Shelton Ellison (cornerback), Mario Logwood (linebacker), Cornelius Williams (safety), Broderick Johnson (tight end), Keith Jackson (tackle), Jonathan Miles (center), Adrian Jones (running back)



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Woman earns award

Elnora Ford, senior executive secretary at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, received the "Ability is Ageless" Most ABLE Award at a ceremony sponsored by Operation ABLE (Ability Based on Long Experience).

Ford was among nine recipients of the Most ABLE award, which is given annually to employees 50 years of age and older who daily make a difference to their communities through their experience, work ethic and commitment to excellence.

In addition to the nine honorees, 149 people representing 80 different employers were honored by Operation ABLE.

Ford is a resident of Westland. She graduated from Inkster High School in 1957 and recently was part of a committee which hosted a 40th anniversary reunion. She served as mistress of ceremonies and presented the invocation at the festivities.

"The UM-Dearborn campus community is much stronger because of Ford's experience, wisdom, determination and work ethic," said UM-Dearborn Chancellor James C. Renick, who nominated Ford. "She demonstrates every day that ability is ageless, and we are grateful that she touches the campus community in so

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many different ways."

One of Ford's most significant accomplishments has been the implementation of the Retired Persons Program at UM-Dearborn, which she helped launch in 1985 with former Provost Eugene Arden, Renick said.

"This innovative program allows retirees, older than 60 years of age, to enroll in classes for nominal tuition," he said.

Since 1959, Ford has worked at U-M and UM-Dearborn, acting as counselor, mentor to staff and students as well as becoming a knowledgeable resource for many faculty members.

Operation ABLE, non-profit organization established in 1986, provides market-responsive programs to meet the employment needs of mature individuals on their career paths to promote life-long learning among individuals,



Elnor Ford

businesses and government, according to Richard A. Calmes, chairman of Operation ABLE.

Glenn graduate wins scholarship

Catherine A. Boldt, a 1993 graduate of John Glenn High School, was recently awarded the Williams Randolph Hearst Leadership Scholarship at the University of Houston Honors

College Fall Convocation. The Hearst Leadership Scholarship was established with a gift of \$100,000 from the William Randolph Hearst Foundation.

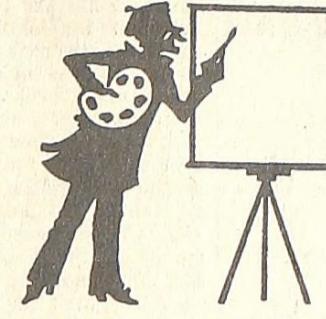
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DARE receives new car

By JENNY JOHNSON
MCN Staff Writer

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Casey Cabana, new car manager, Mark Chevrolet, said, "We like to work hand in hand to support the community."

"Mark Chevrolet has always been a strong supporter of the Wayne Police Department. Since the inception of DARE they have been one of our greatest supporters. They have been gracious enough to pay the lease for one year," said DARE officer, Edward Johnson.

The granite -- almost purple -- car has been detailed by Reighard Graphics, of Wayne. The graphics include a prism effect which is different from any other DARE vehicle, and also includes Daren, the mascot on the hood of the car.

Meeting places named

The following locations have been chosen for meetings of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education:

- Nov. 25, 7 p.m., Plymouth-Canton High School
- Dec. 9, 7 p.m., E.J. McClelland Center
- Dec. 16, 7 p.m., Central Middle School
- Jan. 13, 7 p.m., E.J. McClelland Center
- Jan. 27, 7 p.m., Tonda Elementary
- Feb. 10, 7 p.m., E.J. McClelland Center
- Feb. 17, 7 p.m., West Middle School
- March 10, 7 p.m., E.J. McClelland Center
- March 24, (to be announced)
- April 14, 7 p.m., E.J. McClelland Center
- April 28, 7 p.m., Plymouth-Salem High School
- May 12, 7 p.m., E.J. McClelland Center
- May 26, 7 p.m., Pioneer Middle School
- June 9, 7 p.m., E.J. McClelland Center
- June 23, 7 p.m., E.J. McClelland Center

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6171 Commerce Dr.
Westland, MI 48185
313-729-3450

GENERAL LABOR

full time position with benefits after probationary period, experience not required, must have a valid driver's license and pass a pre-employment drug screen test. Abtrex Industries, 39555 I-94 S. Service Dr., Belleville, MI 48111 (1/2 mile E. of Haggerty Rd.)

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KENNEDY, DENISE
KREMIDAS, PETER
MARTIN, ELVA
STEVENS, LINDA
UNSWORTH, JAMES

BALABAN, PAUL
Age 81, of Belleville, passed away November 7, 1997. Beloved husband of the late Edith. Dear father of Ruby Gentry and Nancy Adams. Also survived by 4 sisters, 12 grandchildren and 19 great grandchildren. Services were held November 10 at St. Joseph Catholic Church with interment at Cadillac Memorial Gardens, West. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home. Memorial contributions to the Balaban family would be appreciated.

CLARK, JEAN
Age 81, of Howell (formerly of Plymouth), passed away November 13, 1997. Dear mother of Nancy Blackford. Also survived by 2 grandsons. Services were held November 17 at Vermeulen Funeral Home with interment at Oakland Hills Memorial Park. Memorial contributions to Leader Dogs for the Blind, Rochester Hills would be appreciated.

DUPREE, LOUIS
Age 51, passed away October 24, 1997. Dear stepson of Jack Rupert. Also survived by 3 sisters, 5 nieces and 2 nephews. He served in the U.S. Army and received his degree as a dentist. Services were held at Parks Memorial AME Church. Arrangements by Penn Funeral Home.

FRANKLIN, HAROLD "BUTCH", JR.

Age 43, passed away October 19, 1997. Beloved

husband of Daisy. Dear father of Melany, Martina, Veronica, Venessa, Dana and Tracy. Loving son of Harold, Sr. and Susan. Also survived by 7 sisters and 2 brothers. Services were held at Mt. Olive CO-GIC. Arrangements by Penn Funeral Home.

HASTINGS, HAROLD
of Wayne, passed away November 7, 1997. Dear father of Robert Hastings and Carol Gagliardo. Beloved brother of Pauline Duffield Cooper of Wayne and Jim (Mildred) Hastings of Taylor. Also survived by 3 granddaughters and 3 great granddaughters. Services were held November 11 at Harry J. Will Funeral Home.

JONES, CHARLENE
Age 39, passed away October 16, 1997. Beloved mother of Mamikka Jones. Also survived by 6 sisters, 3 brothers and 2 grandchildren. Services were held at Bethlehem Temple of Inkster. Arrangements by Penn Funeral Home.

KENNEDY, DENISE
Age 59, passed away October 19, 1997. Beloved husband of Tommie (Cotter) Unsworth. Dear father of James (Nancy), Jr., John, JoAnn (Joe) York, Jean (Jimmie) Williams, Deborah (Terry) Martin and William (Lori). Also survived by 16 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren. Memorial services were held November 20 at Michigan Memorial Park Chapel. Cremation rites have been accorded. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home.

KREMIDAS, PETER

Age 88, of Westland, passed away November 13, 1997. Dear uncle of Angelo Caracostas. Services were held November 15 at S.S. Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church with interment at Knollwood Memorial Park. Arrangements by Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home.

MARTIN, ELVA
Age 84, of Wayne, passed away November 15, 1997. Beloved wife of Luster. Loving mother of Dean Bishop and Sherry Bejesther. Dear step-mother of Dorothy Chandler, June Jackson, Thomas Martin and Alfred Martin. Also survived by 3 sisters, 6 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren, 8 step grandchildren, 13 step great grandchildren and 2 step great great grandchildren. Services were held November 19 at Uhl Funeral Home with interment at Cadillac Memorial Gardens, West.

STEVENS, LINDA
Age 42, of Van Buren, passed away November 13, 1997. Beloved wife of Robert. Dear mother of Jacob and Jessica. Services were held November 17 at Calvary Baptist Church with interment at Romulus Cemetery. Arrangements by Crane Funeral Home.

UNSWORTH, JAMES
Age 77, of Belleville, passed away November 15, 1997. Beloved husband of Tommie (Cotter) Unsworth. Dear father of James (Nancy), Jr., John, JoAnn (Joe) York, Jean (Jimmie) Williams, Deborah (Terry) Martin and William (Lori). Also survived by 16 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren. Memorial services were held November 20 at Michigan Memorial Park Chapel. Cremation rites have been accorded. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home.

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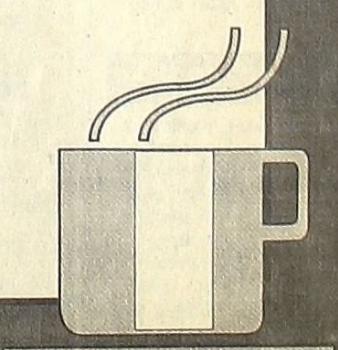
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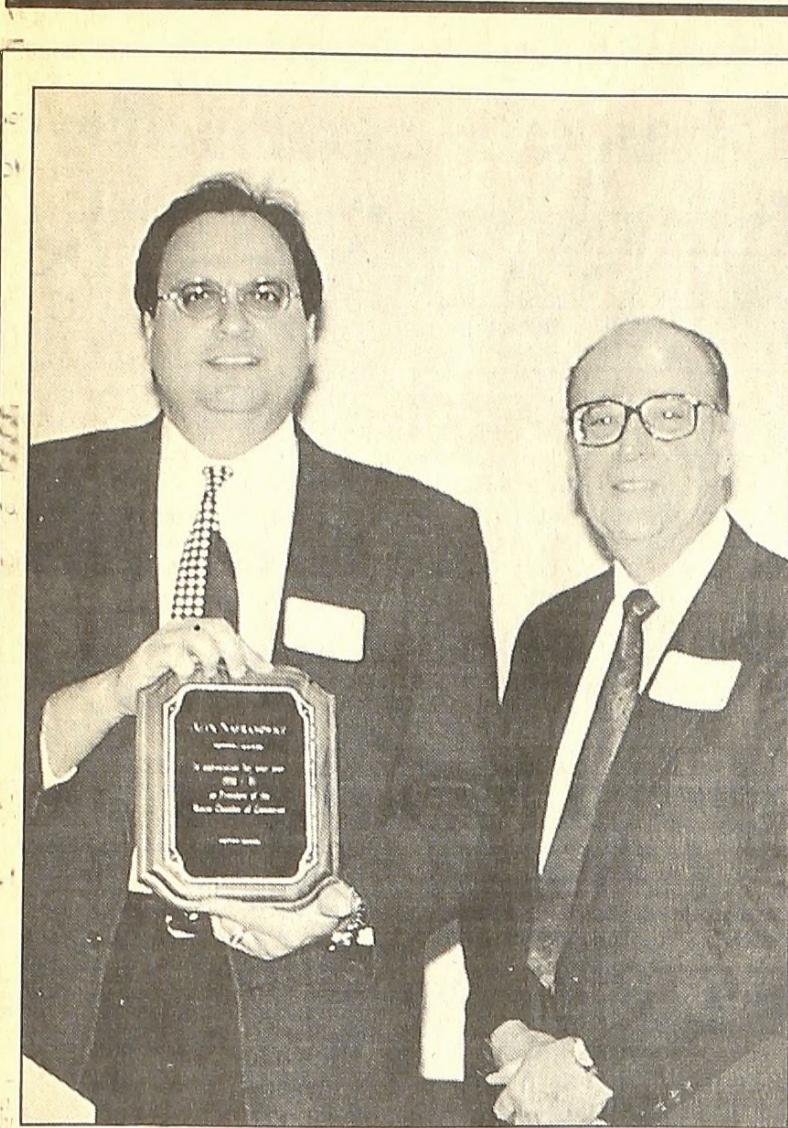
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Honoree

A plaque, presented to outgoing Wayne Chamber of Commerce President Alex Nafranowicz (left), expresses the appreciation of the organization for his service. Newly elected President Milton Mack is at the right. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

New staff people join SJMH

The following professionals have joined St. Joseph Mercy Health System (SJMH):

Laura Zuger, M.D., Edward A. Walton, M.D., Beth Camille Kimball, M.D. and Cheroolee Trembath, M.D., have been granted medical staff privileges at SJMH.

Drs. Sanson, Zuger and Cooper specialize in internal medicine.

Tammi Cooper, M.D., Muhammad Tayyab, M.D., Michael S. Sanson, M.D. and Brian Borden, M.D. have also been granted medical staff privileges at SJMH.

Dr. Borden specializes in orthopedic surgery with a special interest in sports, and Dr. Kimball specializes in surgery with a special interest in hepatobiliary, pancreatic and endocrine disorders.

Drs. Sanson, Zuger and Cooper specialize in internal medicine.

Dr. Walton specializes in emergency medicine with a special interest in pediatric emergency medicine, and Dr. Trembath specializes in family practice.

Planners recognized

Ayres, Lewis, Norris & May, Inc. recently was recognized by the Michigan Chapter of the American Planning Association and the Michigan Society of Planning Officials for work on the Port Sanilac Master Plan and Recreation Plan.

ALNM was awarded the 1997 Outstanding Project of the Year award.

Time capsule contents to be unveiled at Madonna

As part of the 50th anniversary celebration on Nov. 23, Madonna University will officially unveil the contents of its 1997 time capsule. In a special ceremony during the Founder's Day Celebration, the capsule will be blessed. Later it will be sealed and then placed permanently in the library entrance. It is scheduled to be opened on both the 75th and 100th anniversaries of the University.

The time capsule, which took three months to make, was designed, engineered and

built by John Gansen, a Livonia resident whose daughter graduated from Madonna University.

Margaret Kleinert-Collins, a 1968 alumna of Madonna University, and her husband Charles Collins, both of Buchanan, Mich., were instrumental in making the vision of Sister Mary Francilene, CSSF, president, Sister Mary Danatha, CSSF, former president, and Sister Mary Lauriana, CSSF, vice president, a reality.

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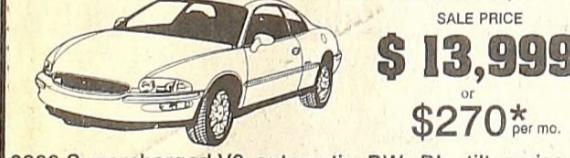
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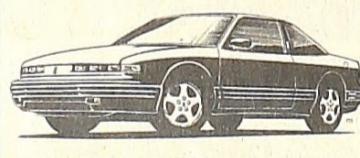
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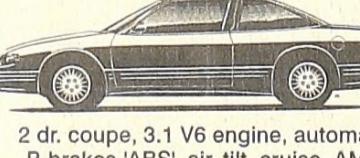
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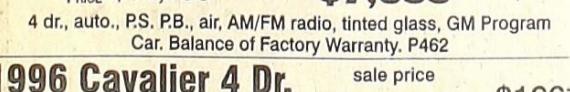


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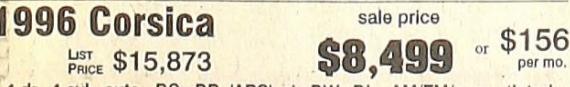
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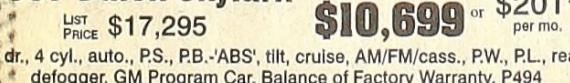
1996 Cavalier 4 Dr.



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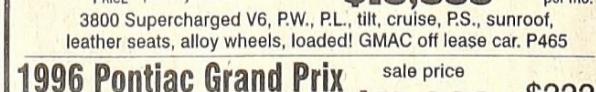
1997 Buick Skylark



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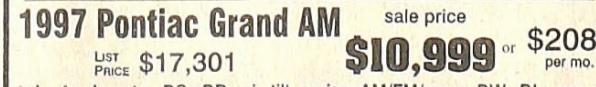
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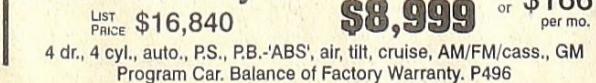
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1997 Pontiac Grand AM



sale price \$10,999 or \$208* per mo.

4 dr., 4 cyl., auto., P.S., P.B., air, tilt, cruise, AM/FM/cass., PW., PL., console, rear defogger, GM Program Car. Balance of Factory Warranty. P501

1996 Buick Skylark



sale price \$8,999 or \$166* per mo.

4 dr., 4 cyl., auto., P.S., P.B.-'ABS', air, tilt, cruise, AM/FM/cass., GM Program Car. Balance of Factory Warranty. P496

4 dr., 4 cyl., auto., P.S., P.B.-'ABS', air, PW., PL., AM/FM/cass., tinted glass, rear defogger, GM Program Car. Balance of Factory Warranty. P494

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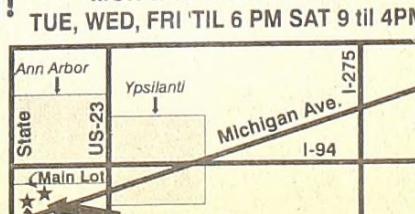
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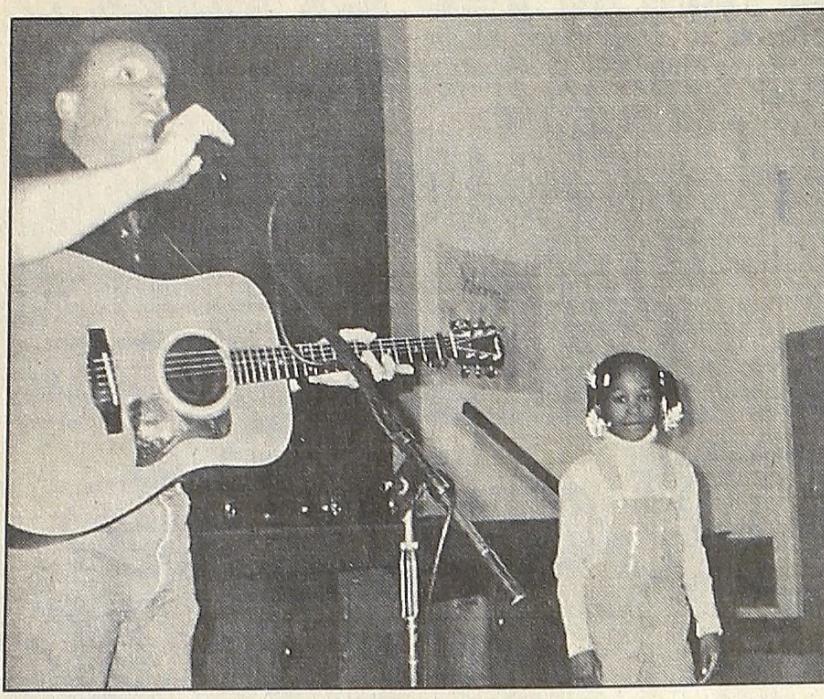
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Rennica Merida, a first grader at Hicks Elementary School, participated in Songs of Safety with Curtis Coleman during Red Ribbon Week.

Hicks students learn message through music

By JENNY JOHNSON
MCN Staff Writer

In conjunction with Red Ribbon Week, students at David Hicks Elementary School in Inkster participated in a Songs of Safety assembly on Oct. 21.

Every student donned a red ribbon that said, "Drug free - That's Me," which was donated by the PTA. Each class decorated the gym with anti-drug posters, said Nancy Raynes, principal.

"Students retain messages longer if they are learned through music," she said.

It has been eight years since Curtis Coleman turned on the news and kept hearing about kids getting abused and killed. He decided to do something.

"Each and every one of us has the right to be heard in America. No matter what you look like, where you came from or the color of your hair," he tells all of the students.

He has written a 50 minute musical program that keeps

kids so entertained they don't even realize they are learning life saving messages.

"Music is an incredible way to teach to children," he said.

Children retain the lessons they learn because music uses both sides of the brain simultaneously, he said.

Raynes said at this age, nine out of ten lessons are taught with music.

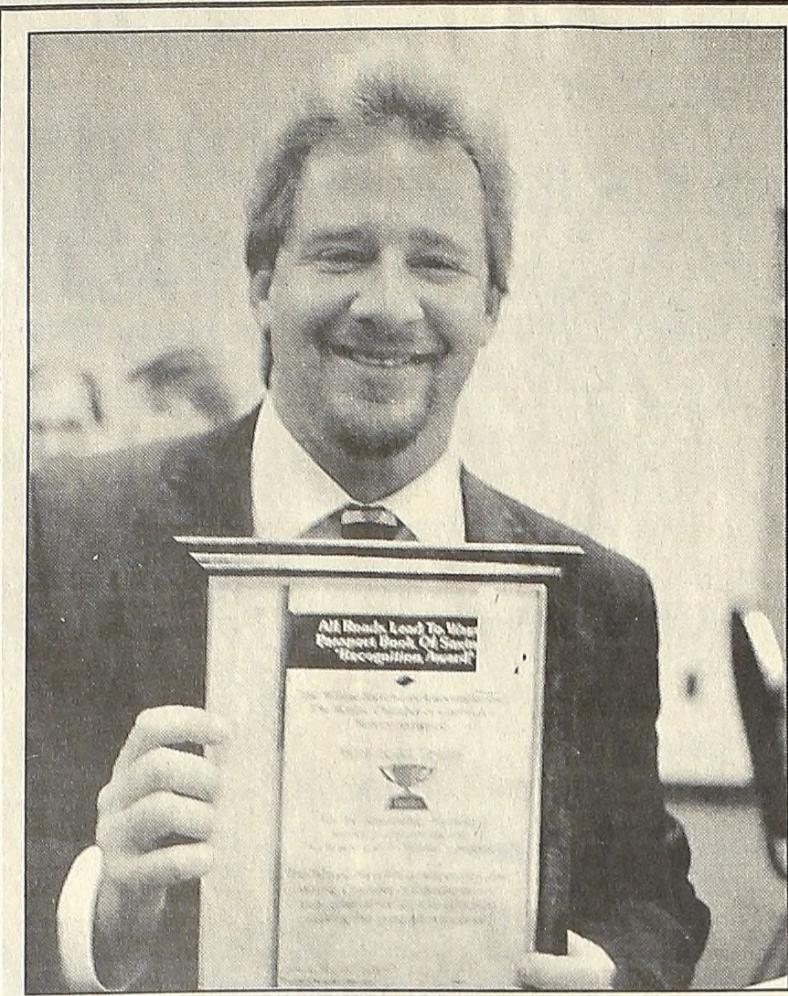
His song "Too hot to handle" teaches kids to stop-drop-and roll.

Throughout his show he reminds students, "Use your voice."

Children also sing about bike safety, saying no to drugs and when it comes to your body, draw the line.

This was his first stop in Michigan on a national tour where he will see over 200,000 students this year. In two weeks Coleman will perform at 40 schools in Michigan.

The students also participated in a Yo-Yo Extravaganza on Oct. 23 to promote their anti-drug theme.



Award given

Tim Nicholson of Westchester Towers accepted a plaque for participation in the All Roads Lead to Wayne Passport to Savings promotion during the Michigan Avenue construction period. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

Science excites Hoover students

By JENNY JOHNSON
MCN Staff Writer

Who says science can't be fun? Not the 10 junior scientists from Hoover Elementary School in Wayne who presented an experiment titled Rockin' Raisins to a second grade class last Thursday.

After about three weeks of preparation, complete with white lab coats donated from the Ford Career/Technical Center, the fourth and fifth graders from Mary Lynn

Baker's class demonstrated what happens when raisins meet carbonated water.

They added the raisins to a mixture of baking soda and vinegar.

If the experiment wasn't enough, Marilyn Russ' class thoroughly enjoyed it when the scientists completed their demonstration with an original rap song explaining acids and bases.

The song of science was welcomed with a round of applause.

Church promotes home ownership

By IVAN HELFMAN
MCN Staff Writer

Building homes is the Lord's work, said the Rev. John Hearn, pastor of the People's Community Missionary Baptist Church of Westland.

"If we can assist someone to become a homeowner, then we're helping that person's sense of worth, giving him or her a stake in the community, and helping them realize the American Dream," said Hearn.

"We want to bring in more families and put them on vacant land," he added.

Through its nonprofit subsidiary, Peoples' Community Hope for Homes, the church is rehabilitating homes in Westland with \$50,000 in federal money under the city's HOME program in the neighborhood east of Middlebelt and south of Ann Arbor Roads, an area of \$40,000 homes and of some vacant property.

"Our mission is to improve the neighborhoods that we serve primarily through housing development and preservation," said Hearn.

According to James Gilbert, Westland's community development director, the city's relationship with Hope was prompted by a federal requirement: to receive the funds the building had to be done by a community nonprofit organization.

"Peoples' Community Hope for Homes was the only local nonprofit with a track record," said Gilbert.

"We've have successfully rehabilitated and closed mortgages on about 10 homes in Inkster and Romulus," said Sam Brown, Peoples' construction supervisor.

Peoples' signed a three-year contract with the city in 1995. Two years later the first two homes being remodeled in Westland are an old ranch home moved on wheels to Richard Street and a station-

ary home on Eaton.

The homes are the first in years to be built in the neighborhood, which sits in the Inkster school district.

Until the HOME program was adopted, the city had been housing low income people in subsidized apartments. Entry into the program puts Westland in line with national trends.

"The trend is now to take low to moderate income people with a little more money and offer them home ownership," said Gilbert. "HUD concluded that they have been subsidizing rentals for too long. They want to make a small shift to more home ownership."

Though federal agencies are pushing home ownership, Westland planners favor a balanced approach, so the city is still investing in low income rentals, most recently a small senior housing project.

The city has also budgeted \$250,000 to help a private firm, Dr. Daryl Williams' Westland Development Corp., develop a new 64-lot subdivision of \$80,000-\$90,000 homes nearby. The government money will pay for sewer and water lines.

Some feel that's not enough, that the city should keep a promise and build a neighborhood park; but Gilbert said the city might not be able to afford it.

"How much can the city do?" he asked. "We don't have enough resources for all the residents."

Before budgeting money for the area, city officials pondered whether families would move into the Inkster Public Schools. They will, city officials concluded. The area's affordable housing is expected to attract childless couples, professionals, and newlyweds with young children, Gilbert predicted.

The two rehabilitated homes are nearing completion.

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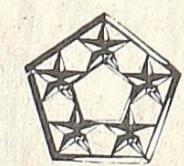
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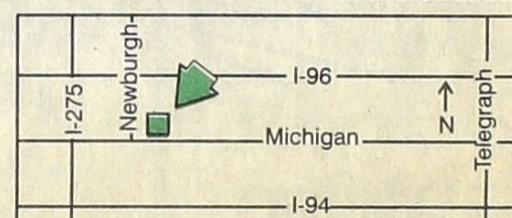
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